WEATHER.

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CRITICAL MOMENT IN GREEK SITUATION IS NOW BELIEVED NEAR

American Minister in Conference With King Constantine For More Than an Hour.

ENTENTE NATIONALS LEAVE

Ordered by Their Lgations to Quit Athens Saturday—Allied Ultimatum Probable.

RUMANIANS STILL RETREAT

Forces Southeast of Bucharest Threatened by Bulgars.

Athens, Saturday, Dec. 9, (via London, Dec. 10.)—The situation here is believed to be approaching a critical moment.

Garret Droppers, the American minister, was in conference with King Constantine more than an hour today. The Spanish minister has left for Valencia, ostensibly on leave of absence, placing the legation in the hands of the charge d'affaires.

All the Entente nationals have been ordered by their legations to quit Athens today.

London, Dec. 10.—"It is understood on reliable authority that an ultimatum will be presented to Greece on Sunday," says Reuter's Athens correspondent, telegraphing under Saturday's date.

"The British and Russian ministers had an audience with the king today and subsequently the king summoned the American minister. The personal baggage of the Entente diplomatists have been sent to Piraeus."

Little fighting except by the artillery is in progress on any fronts except in Rumania. Here the Teutonic Allies, according to Berlin, are still making progress in Eastern Wallachia. Petrograd asserts, however, that the Rumanians northeast of Bucharest, along the road running from Ploechti and Buzeu, have turned on the offensive and driven the Austro-Germans back eastward. To the north along the Transylvania-Rumania frontier, Petrograd reports progress for the Russian troops and Berlin admits the capture by the Russians of a height south of the Trotus valley.

Threatening Bulgar Movement.

A move by the Bulgarians which may prove a menace to the Rumanians retreating eastward from the Bucharest region, is reported by Berlin. This is the crossing the Danube between Silistria and Tchernavoda, southeast and east of Bucharest. If it was made in large force, seemingly an impediment will be placed in the way of the retirement of the Rumanians and possibly some of them may be caught between the Austro-Germans moving east and the Bulgarians driving north across their line of retreat.

Semi-official advices from Berlin say that the Rumanians have lost approximately 112,000 men made prisoner since Rumania's entry into the war, and suffered casualties estimated at about 100,000.

On Western Front.

Aside from a German attack in the Vosges region near Col Sainte Marie, which was repulsed by the French, and the re-capture by the Germans of a sap in Champagne the French had entered after its evacuation only bombardments and minor engagements have taken place along the line in France and Belgium.

Berlin records the repulse by the Teutonic Allies of a heavy attack by the Entente troops north and east of Monastir, Serbia, while Paris reports the capture by the British south of Seres, Greece, of Turkish positions.

A violent bombardment is in progress east of Gorizia and on the Carso plateau of the Austro-Italian theatre. Fighting in the mountain regions is being hampered by a heavy snow fall.

Seven More Ships Sunk.

German submarines have accounted for seven more steamers, three British, three Norwegian and one Spanish. Germany has admitted the sinking by a submarine of the 9,223-ton British steamer Caledonia, which was recently reported as believed to have been sunk. The Caledonia, it is asserted, attempted to ram the submarine, which was slightly damaged. The Caledonia's commander was made prisoner by the Germans.

RUMANIANS HAVE LOST; ALL TOLD, MORE THAN 400,000 MEN

Berlin, Dec. 10. (via Sayville)—The Rumanians have lost approximately 112,000 men in prisoners since Rumania entered the war, or about one-sixth of their army, besides suffering casualties estimated at about 300,000 writes the military critic of the Overseas News Agency today.

Not only has this loss to the Rumanians resulted from the campaign, continues the writer, but the Teutonic victory has made possible the shortening of the front by about 550 kilometers or more than 340 miles. The area conquerred by the Teutonic armies is about 50,000 square kilometers, or nearly 20,000 square miles.

The German losses are declared to have been astonishingly small. One army corps which made 8,000 prisoners, and besides is calculated to have been accountable for 6,000 casualties in the opposing ranks, had itself considerably less than 1,000 casualties, writes the military critic, who also instances the captured by the Tuntonic forces during

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CANADIANS FIGHT IN INDIAN FASHION

Primitive Methods at Times Are Used in the Battles on the Somme Front.

NUMBERS OF TRENCH RAIDS

Artillery Does the Work During the Day But at Night the Opposing Forces Engage in Hand-to-Hand Combat

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With the British Armies in France, Dec. 7, via London, Dec. 9.—From a staff correspondent of the Associated Press)—The present phase of the fighting along the British front may be classed as essentially impersonal by day, but intensely personal, not to say intimate, by night.

During the short gay winter day light, big guns back of the fighting lines hurl tons of high explosives against the German positions. The targets are far away and on thick, misty days the results of this continued, harhassing fire are conjectured rather than seen. This is the impersonal side of war.

With the coming of night, however, all is changed. Then men meet face to face and hand-to-hand and primitive methods of mortal combat come again into play in the midst of all the modern machinery and genius of war. Trench raids are carried out by the British in great numbers. Few of these raids ever gain the distinction of mention in the official communications but in the aggregate they represent a nocturnal offensive which yields most satisfying military results. Not only is there a comulative effect upon the German casualty list, but many prisoners are taken and useful information obtained.

Styles in trench raiding change from to time. Just now the popular method seems to be to bombard a given section of a trench and then set up a barrage of curtain of shells, behind which the raiding party crosses that perilous strip of shell-ploughed ground known as "No Man's Land".

The raiders dash into the trench, clear it of its defenders in any way the exigencies require and then dash home again for shelter from the inevitable retaliatory shell fire from the Germans. Many raiders come in dragging hapless prisoners with them. These same English Tommies or Canadians or Australians a few minutes later may be sharing in their hot midnight rations with the very men who, by good fortune or quick decision escaped the fury of their deadly onslaught. Later, these prisoners are passed back behind the lines to join their brethren from other raids.

There was a time when the Canadians carried out raids in true American Indian fashion. Small parties would creep snake-like over "No Man's Land", cut their way through the barbed wire entanglements and lie in wait just behind the parapets of the trenches where they could hear all that was said and all that was going on within. Often it would take two or three hours to get across "No Man's Land." There have been many instances where, after work of this character, hot coca has been sent out to raiders lying under the German parapets, to warm them and refresh them for the attack. On raids of this sort men are allowed to choose their own weapons. Few take revolvers and none rifles. Rather terrifying trench knives have been invented for the work, but hammers prove the handy and popular weapon. There are often cases where raiders reach over, grab some half asleep German by the back of the neck, haul him out and hustle him to the home line without disturbing the peace of the stilly night. The captured men have been too startled to utter an outcry until means have been take nto prevent them from doing so.

Service on trench raids is purely voluntary. One of the greatest troubles commanders have is to select a limited party from the excess of volunteers. Some men volunteer time after time, but often have to wait their turn while others are given an opportunity.

Night life along the front lines is weirdly picturesque. They are flares, flares, flares, as far as the eye can reach bursting into brief brilliance and then leaving the night darker than ever. The slightest unusual movement or suggested alarm sets veri-colored signal rockets hissing from the trenches. Then comes the sputtering voice of the viscious machine guns, spraying steel-jacketed pellets of death.

When driven back to new positions, the Germans endeavor to take advantage of dark nights to "wire themselves in," some times building barbed barriers eight feet high and to a depth of many feet, all the tangled mass being affixed to iron posts.

Sometimes the Britis also have working parties out. There have been cases where watchful flares have closed enemy parties busily engaged very near each other. Through some unfathomed code of trench honor these parties often are undisturbed until one or the other finishes the task it has in hand. Then it is considered entirely ethical

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CONGRESS TO GET DOWN TO ACTUAL WORK THIS WEEK

Two Houses Moved Slowly Last Week While Legislation Was Being Whipped in Shape.

SEVERAL BILLS IN SENATE

Immigration Measure May Be Put Through Hurriedly—Saulsbury May Succeed Clarke.

Washington, Dec. 9.—Both branches of the Congress moved slowly during the opening week of the short session while legislation was being whipped into shape, but they will get down to actual work this week.

The programme in the Senate is somewhat uncertain, dependent upon a meeting of the Democratic Steering committee tomorrow. While the Interstate Sommerce committee is deliberating on plans for expediting the President's railroad legislative programme, three measures are ready for immediate consideration. They are the District of Columbia Prohibition bill, Immigration bill and Corrupt Practices measure. Corrupt practice legislation probably will be displaced temporarily by the Immigration bill in the Senate tomorrow and with its literacy test probably will past the Senate without prolonged discussion, despite th eprobability that it may meet another presidential veto.

The prohibition bill for the District of Columbia is to be urged at every opportunity by Senator Sheppard, leading the fight for the Democrats, and Senator Kenyon for the Republicans. Its passage by the Senate before the March adjournment is regarded as very probable.

Senate Democrats will caucus tomorrow to choose a successor to the late Senator Clark as president pro tempore. Senator Saulsbury, of Delaware, is the most active candidate for the honor and his friends say he has enough votes pledged to assure his election. The caucus will also consider the legislative programme.

Proposed railway legislation having been shelved for the present by the House, that branch probably will do little except routine work until after the Christmas recess.

President Wilson's vocational education bill, the first administration measure to be considered at the present session, will be called up tomorrow and Chairman Hughes, of the Education committee, hopes that it will pass before night. The purpose of the measure is to help state schools teaching agriculture and trades by meeting teachers' salaries in part and establishing schools for the development of instructors in these branches. Little opposition is expected.

Chairman Lever, of the Agriculture committee, hopes to get his cotton standardisation bill through this week. This measure, supported by the solid South and many members from other sections, was not reached last session, but has an early place on the calendar.

Much routine business will be transacted before Christmas if Speaker Clark has his way. He has not abandoned his fight for a shorter Christmas recess.

STEAMER BRITANNIA SUNK 15; ARE MISSING

Captain of British Craft Made Prisoner By Submarine.

Twenty-Three Survivors of the Ship Landed at Lisbon—Spanish Steamer Bravo Sunk—Others are Damaged

Lisbon, Dec. 9. (via Paris, Dec. 10.)—The British steamer Britannia has been sunk by a submarine. The captain was made prisoner. Twenty-three survivors of the crew have arrived here, while 15 are missing.

TWO STEAMERS ARE SUNK AND TWO OTHERS DAMAGED

London, Dec. 10.—Lloyd's shipping agency announces the following:

The British steamer Brittannic of 1,514 tons is believed to have been sunk. The British steamers Harlington, 1,000 tons gross, and Harlyn, 3,459 tons gross, have been damaged.

The Spanish steamer Bravo, of 1,214 tons gross, has been torpedoed. The crew was landed.

TWO NORWEGIAN STEAMERS ARE SUBMARINE VICTIMS

Quimper, France, Dec. (via London, Dec. 10.—The Norwegian steamers Modum and Falk have been torpedoed, but their crews were saved.

Berlin, Dec. 10, (via Sayville).—Emperior William has returned from a visit to Emperor Charles. The German Emperor, who was accompanied by Field Marshal von Hindenburg, visited the Austrian Emperor in his car at Austro-Hungarian headquarters.

ARMED SHIP WITH TORPEDO TUBES IS SEEN OFF AZORES

Vessel in Middle of Steamship Lane, According to Message From Allied Cruiser.

ENTENTE SHIPPING WARNED

Captain of British Steamer at Savannah Tells of Message Received by Wireless.

New York, Dec. 10.—A heavily armed steamship with torpedo tubes has been sighted about 500 miles north of the Azores in the midule of the steamship lane, according to a wireless warning flashed tonight to merchant vessels of the Entente Allies by a British or French cruiser lying off Sandy Hook.

The message, which was first sent in English and then in Italian, said:

"Sighted 7 A. M., December 4, longitude 27.57, west, latitude 48.45 north, a steamer of about 4,000 tons, 350 feet long and 45 feet beam. Vessel well armed and fitted with torpedo tubes. Had one short, broad funnel and two masts. Steamer probably high speed. Take all precautions."

BRITISH CAPTAIN TALKS OF MESSAGE OF WARNING

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 10—That Entente shipping on the Atlantic is being warned of a mysterious vessel, thought to be a German raider, lurking near the trans-Atlantic lanes, was the assertion made today by Captain Roberts, of the British steamer Hehopolis, which docked here early today to take on a cargo of cotton.

Captain Roberts said that while proceeding to Baltimore for coal he received his first warning by wireless from a British patrol boat. On reaching Baltimore, he said, he was warned by the British consul there.

At the British consulate here today, it was admitted, although attaches were loath to discuss the subject, that warning was being given all Entente vessels not equipped with wireless immediately on their arrival here.

GERMAN WAR SUBMARINE SEEN OFF VIRGINIA COAST

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 10.—That a German war submarines was cruising off the Virginia const ten days ago was the report brought to Norfolk by members of the crew of the U. S. S. Peoteus which arrived in Hampton Roads late today. When the German submarine was sighted it was about 100 miles east of the Virginia coast and was headed in a westerly direction. The naval auxiliary and the U-boat kept in sight of each other for an hour but the submarine made no effort to halt the Peoteus. The officers declined to deny or affirm the story.

Vork, Dec. 10. (via London, Dec. 11).—Two hundred Sinn Feiners stopped a charitable performance tonight given in behalf of the families of soldiers of Cork. They sang Sinn Fein songs and shouted: "Up rebellion! Down recruiting!"

EPSTEIN IS CLEARED OF CHARGE OF MURDER

Jury Returned Verdict of Not Guilty Yesterday Morning.

Sister of Leonard Edwards, Who Was Killed by Epstein, Testified Defendant Was Being Choked When He Fired the Fatal Shot.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Goldsboro, N. C., Dec. 10.—Hyman Epstein, charged with the murder of Leonard Edwards in this city last April, was today declared not guilty by the jury selected to try the case in Wayne Superior court. At 10:30 o'clock this morning the jurymen filed into the court room, and when questioned by Judge Stacy, who presided at the trial, if they had reached a verdict, the foreman stated that they had.

When asked with the formal question, "guilty or not guilty," the foreman again rose and with a solemn voice said "not guilty."

The following men composed the jury: W. A. Jernigan, Milliam Uzzell, L. B. Smith, R. Q. Brown, Albert Price, J. J. Aycock, R. B. Hooks, John Allen, Larry Aycock, Edward Vail, Ad, Hosea, J. W. Hosea, the latter two brothers, merchants of Pikeville.

The verdict came as a big surprise to many, but counsel for the defendant were hopeful of acquittal when Miss Judith Edwards, a sister of Leonard Edwards, and about whom the killing occurred, gave more extended testimony than at the first trial, and it is now thought that had she given the same testimony at the first trial the verdict would have been the same as rendered today.

Following the verdict this morning Judge Stacy then placed the defendant

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Submarine Liner Deutschland Reaches Home Port In Safety

Vessel Arrived at Noon Yesterday Off the Mouth of the Weser, Completing Her Voyage From New London, Conn., in Nineteen Days—Is Second Trip German Craft Made Successfully.

Berlin, Dec. 10, (via Sayville).—The German under-water merchantman Deutschland, completing a quick home trip from the United States, arrived at noon today off the mouth of the Weser.

The arrival of the Deutschland at a German port marks the successful completion of the second round trip of this commercial undersea boat to the United States. On her voyage just finished she made the passage in 19 days, having left New London, Conn., on November 21 This bettered considerably the record of her previous eastward trip, which, starting from Baltimore, took her 23 days. Her two westward voyages occupied, respectively, 16 days and 21 days.

The Deutschland, which is the only commercial craft of her type that has succeeded in reaching this country from Germany, her sister ship, the Bremen, having been lost on her outward voyage, was forced to make two starts from New London on this return trip. On her first attempt on November 17 she collided with an escorting tug, and had to put back to port. She was not badly damaged, however, and was able to put out again four days later, this time without mishap.

The Deutschland, on both of her trips, brought valuable cargoes chiefly of dyes and chemicals. On her present voyage she took a cargo estimated at $2,000,000 in value and official mail for Germany.

WILL MAKE ANOTHER TRIP TO AMERICA IN FEW WEEKS

New London, Conn., Dec. 10.—The German commercial submarine Deutschland, which arrived in home waters today, will make another trip to this port within the next few weeks, according to a statement tonight by Paul G. L. Hilken, vice-president of the Eastern Forwarding Company, American agents for the undersea craft. He added that the submarine would make regular trips as long as the war continued.

He was greatly pleased when informed of the craft's safe return. "Great!" he declared. "The English would have made a rich haul if they had caught her."

Several carloads of tin have arrived at the docks here and shipments of

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DELEGATES ARRIVE BY THE HUNDREDS

Southern Commercial Congress Begins at Norfolk Today and Lasts Four Days.

WILL BE GRAND OCCASION

About a Hundred Addresses Will Be Made by Speakers of Prominence —Atlantic Fleet Mobilized for the Event

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 10.—Hundreds of delegates were gathering here tonight for the eighth annual convention of the Southern Commercial Congress, which begins tomorrow and continues through Thursday. International reconstruction—the official theme—will be discussed by government and state officials, foreign diplomats, manufacturers, exporters and planters. Most of the hundred or more speakers were expected to stress the part the United States and particularly South, must play in the re-building of Europe and the re-arranging of the world's commerce when the war ends.

Incident to the gathering of the congress, special services were held in the churches of Norfolk today and tonight, the pastors preaching on "Character—the Basis of International Re-Construction."

Organizations which have been called to meet with the congress include the House of Southern Governors, the Southern Cotton Congress, the organization of Southern Commercial Secretaries, the Womens Auxiliary of the Southern Commercial Congress the National Association of Commissioners of Agriculture; the American Commission on Agricultural Organization, a conference on agricultural immigration and labor, called by Secretary of Labor Wilson, and conference on commercial education in relation to foreign and domestic commerce.

Senator Fletcher, of Florida, president of the Congress will open the convention and will preside at most of the meetings.

Secretary of State Lansing will speak at the first session after the addresses of welcome by Mayor Wyndham R. Mayo, of Norfolk, and Governor Stuart, of Virginia, and Senator Fletcher has made his annual address. Other speakers tomorrow will be John Barrett, director general, Pan-American Union; Comptroller of the Currency John Skelton Williams, W. P. G. Harding, of the Federal Reserve Board; Governor O'Neil, of Alabama; Senators Ransdell, of Louisiana, and Overman, of North Carolina, and Congressman Small, of North Carolina.

A feature tomorrow will be a street parade of sailors from the ships of the Atlantic fleet, mobilized in Hampton Roads for the congress, marines from the Norfolk navy yard, the Virginia Military Institute cadet corps, Virginia National Guardsmen, Boy Scouts and school children. The Virginia Cadets arrived here tonight from Lexington and they marched from the station to their headquarters at the Virginia League through streets lined with cheering crowds.

A naval parade in Hampton Roads has been arranged for Wednesday afternoon when Secretary of the Navy Daniels is to come here to address the congress.

Tonight two scores warships, including almost every type from the biggest dreadnaught to submarines and fleet tenders, were anchored in the roadstead. In Norfolk harbor were mobilized the ships of the Coast and Geodetic Survey, the Bureau of Navigation, the Bureau of Fisheries and the lighthouse service. These vessels included the Roosevelt the ship on which Rear Admiral Peary made his last trip to the Arctic.

Entertainments planned is a visit to

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BISHOP'S ANNUAL SERMON IS HEARD

Methodist Conference Holds Memorial Exercises to the Late Bishop A. K. Wilson.

READ APPOINTMENTS TODAY

Class of Ten Were Ordained Yesterday. Bishop Kilgo Speaks Before Audience of 1,500 in Memorial Church, Durham.

(Special Star Telegram).

Durham, N. C., Dec. 10.—The annual bishop's sermon, the ordaining of ten deacons, and memorial exercises for the late Bishop A. W. Wilson, were events of the programme of the fifth day's session of the North Carolina Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South. The concluding session will be held tomorrow when the preachers' appointments will be read. As a foreshadowing of the announcement, Bishop Kilgo said that a change spoke well for the minister because if he preached Christ and told his congregation of their sins his return engagement would not be welcomed. Otherwise, if the preacher was a good mixer, gossiper and joined in their worldly pleasures his return would be invited.

A class of ten was ordained at the morning services of Memorial church, when an audience of 1,500 people jammed the auditorium to overflowing. Those ordained were: H. B. Hill, A. L. Hill, A. S. Parham, R. F. Munns, W. T. Lowe, J. A. Russell, L. F. Pattishaw, W. J. Cunningham, M. D. Cox and J. D. B. House.

Bishop's Sermon in Part.

The annual sermon of Bishop Kilgo, brought forth the tremendous congregation that packed the biggest church in Durham and one of the costliest in North Carolina. His sermon was preached from First Peter, first chapter, and he said in part:

"The resurrection of Jesus Christ restrained the whole universe. Such unique features as the resurrection of our Master could not have occurred and left the universe as it was and let the future go undisturbed. That event was the method used to declare Christ as the Son of God.

"It was that shock by which He was torn asunder from all temporal and weak aspects and conditions of human life that declared him incarnate.

"'If I be lifted up from the earth I will drag all men along with myself,' signified the death he should die, death not of mortality but of immortality.

"Temporal things have supremacy now but death has the final triumph. 'I have a baptism to be baptized with,' with a heavenly passion to complete. At the evening of the last supper when Judas went out our Lord said, 'Now is the son of man glorified.' The death that He died had intent life, great and noble purpose; that included everything. He tore asunder and left behind all conditions, limiting and corrupting. His resurrection brought him forth and set him forth in his glory. His death naturally defeated the disciples' hopes but they turned when he appeared in all mightiness of his Lordship and glory of Heaven. He was their Lord not through the temple, not son of Mary, no longer lowly Nazarene, no more after the flesh, they knew Him in his heavenly, Lordly, majestic selling. After the ascension the disciples had a new Christ, a new Lord not in any form of weakness but in his great power. They began preaching and bearing testimony of their Master. Paul could stand against any earthly Christ, set aloft every disclosure of his glory, with joy and energy, but he could not withstand the thought of a rising exalted praying Christ. This was too much for him, Christ must never be known in any earth aspect, known only as Lord, above principalities, power dominion, name above every name. The resurrection demonstrated that there

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OFFICIAL LIST OF THE NEW BRITISH MINISTERS ISSUED

Organization Gives Prime Minister More Power Than System Has Ever Known.

WAR CABINET MEETS DAILY

Lloyd-George, Lord Milner and Mr. Henderson to Devote Full Time to War Problems.

London, Dec. 10.—The official list of the new ministry issued tonight follows the unofficial forecasts with two or three minor changes. Mr. Lloyd-George, Lord Milner, Earl Curzon, Bonar-Law and Arthur Henderson form what is officially termed the war cabinet, while the others who ordinarily have been designated as cabinet ministers, are called heads of departments.

An important point in this novel organization is that it concentrates far more power in the hands of the prime minister than the British system has ever known before. Mr. Lloyd-George's proposals to Premier Asquith were for a war council, of which the premier should not be a member, although he should have the power of passing on its work. Mr. Lloyd-George has not hesitated to place himself in the position more closely resembling a dictatorship than he was willing to give his predecessor.

To Hold Daily Sessions.

The war cabinet will hold daily sessions, directing the prosecution of the war and the freedom of Mr. Lloyd-George, Lord Milner and Mr. Henderson from departmental duties will allow them to devote all their time to the war council, the work of exchequer and government leadership in the house of commons will absorb most of Mr. Bonar-Law's time, and attendance on the house of lords will necessitate Earl Curzon's absence from the council, so that Mr. Lloyd-George, Lord Milner and Mr. Henderson will be the chief directors of the war.

For practical purposes, the government will be by a cabinet of four.

A meeting of the privy council will be held tomorrow for the swearing in of the ministers. The prime minister will make a speech in the house of commons Tuesday in which he will declare the policy of the new government, and a bill will be introduced enabling the members to take their seats without going through the formality of of a new election, which the law demands when a member accepts a position under the crown.

Complexion of Government.

The complexion of the new government is 12 liberals, 15 unionists, three laborites and the presidents of the board of trade and education and the shipping controller, who have been attached to no parties.

Sir Robert Finlay's renunciation of the pension attached to the office of lord high chancellor, will be a popular stroke. The lord chancellor draws £10,000 pounds in office and a pension of £5,000 after his retirement. There has been much discussion over the cost of this largely ornamental office recently. Four retired chancellors are now drawing pensions.

T. P. O'Connor gives notice of a motion in the house of commons for the formation of a series of commissions in parliament on the French model, for co-operation with the ministers in conducting the war.

The other members of the ministry, who are not in the war cabinet are:

List of Ministers.

Lord high chancellor—Sir Robert Bonnatyne Finlay.

Secretary of state for the home department—Sir George Cave.

Secretary of state for foreign affairs—Dr. Arthur J. Balfour.

Secretary of state for the colonies—Walter Hume Long.

Secretary of state for war—The Earl of Derby.

Secretary of state for India—Austen Chamberlain.

President of the local government board—Baron Rhondda.

President of the board of trade—Sir Albert Stanley.

Minister of labor—John Hodge.

First lord of the admiralty—Sir Edward Carson.

Minister of munitions—Sir Christopher Addison.

Minister of blockade—Lord Robert Cecil.

Food controller—Baron Davenport.

Shipping controller—Sir Joseph Paton MacLay.

President of the board of agriculture—Roward E. Prothero.

President of the board of education—Herbert A. L. Fisher.

First commissioner of words—Sir Alfred M. Mond.

Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster—Sir Frederick Cawley.

Postmaster general—Albert Illingworth.

Minister of pensions—George N. Barnes.

Attorney general—Sir Frederick E. Smith.

Solicitor general—Gordon H. Ewart, K. C.

Secretary for Scotland—Mr. Munro.

Lord advocate—James A. Clyde, K. C.

Solicitor general for Scotland—Thomas B. Morison, K. C.

Lord lieutenant of Ireland—Baron Wimborne.

Chief secretary for Ireland—Henry E. Duke.

Lord chancellor for Ireland—Sir Ignatius J. O'Brien.

Sir Robert Bannatyne Finlay, in accepting the office of lord high chancel-

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NO MOVEMENT FOR PEACE YET TAKEN

United States Not Likely to Make Proposal to Warring Nations in Near Future.

RUMORS HAVE DONE HARM

Officials Feel That They Are Calculated to Destroy Any Chances of Peace—Gerard Is Bearing No Proposal to Germany.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Offers of mediation or suggestions of peace to the European nations have not been made by the United States. they are not now being borne across seas by Mr. Gerard, and will not be broached by this government in the near future unless there is some quite unexpected turn in world events.

The facts are stated authoritatively by one of the highest officials of the government to counteract reports to the contrary which have been generally published, much to the embarrassment o fthe administration, and to the misleading of foreign nations. The facts set forth and the details following may be said to express the administration's view of the situation as affecting prospects for peace.

Rumors Harmful.

In official circles it is felt that the increasing and apparently authoritative rumors that the United States is planning some move for peace are calculated above all else to destroy chances of peace, and, no matter what their origin, to defeat their own ends. Indeed, the misunderstanding has become so serious that an official denial has been contemplated, probably through the State Department. The President, however, has preferred to disassociate himself entirely from any such announcement, no matter how made, in order that he might stand untrammeled on his original offer of mediation at the beginning of the war.

Two cardinal factors stand out in the minds of officials. First that many such proposals originate in German circles and second that their reiteration has been driving allied statesmen to an extremity of refutation, from which it would be very embarrassing for them to recede.

Germany's Object Achieved.

Without in any way passing on the ultimate outcome of the war, it is felt here that Germany has largely achieved her objectives and that she is in a position to treat on the basis of her present gains without subjecting herself to the inevitable losses of men and money caused by further hostilities.

The Allies ,on the other hand, have shown that they are absolutely opposed to peace now. They have left not the least doubt that they would regard mediation at this time as unfriendly. It is firmly believed here in official circles that such an attempt by this government would subject the United States to the charge of partisan interference in the war.

Gerrard Bears No Proposal.

Most embarrassing of all the rumors, perhaps, is the constant reiteration that Ambassador Gerard is returning to Germany with peace proposals from the President. This is declared not only to be false, but to be actually dangerous. It is said to have created a very unfavorable feeling in both belligerent groups, a feeling of intense irritation among the Allies and of unfounded hopefulness amonst the German people, who appear to be well satisfied wit hthe war's results and eager for its end.

The government will watch an opportunity to offer mediation with a zealousness that could not fail to come from the chance to put an end to the most calamitous war in history. When official reports from all sides indicate that such a movement might succeed, it will be scrutinized very carefully before being attempted. Until then unfounded agitation by persons not in a position to know the fundamental and decisive attitude of the belligerent nations is regarded as best calculated to defeat the very ends in view.

CENTER OF INVESTIGATION SHIFTS TO MIDDLE WEST

U. S. Attorney Anderson Expects to Leave Today for Chicago.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Department of Justice officials announced today that chief activity in the government's nation-wide investigation in the high cost of living would shift this week to the Middle West, especial attention being paid to the activities of coal dealers in Cincinnati, Cleveland, Detroit, Toledo and other cities.

United States Attorney Anderson, directing the inquiry, expects to leave tomorrow for Chicago, probably stopping at Cleveland en route and may also visit Detroit where another grand jury inquiry will be begun during the week. He expects to discuss the situation with President Wilson before leaving tomorrow.

Frank M. Swacker, in charge of the grand jury inquiry in New York, informed officials that he hoped to have the investigation there started within a few days.

AMERICAN CAPTAIN KEPT ABOARD U-BOAT TWO DAYS

His Questions as to Reason of Detention Brought No Answer.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 10.—Captain F. E. Curtis, Chief Engineer Harry R. Simpson and Super Cargo George S. MacKenzie, of the American steamer Columbian, which was sunk by a German submarine off the Spanish coast on November 8, arrived today from Gibraltar on the steamer Canopic.

"I was detained for two days on the submarine," said Captain Curtis, "and was allowed on deck only for exercise. My repeated questions as to the reason for my detention brought forth no response either from the captain or the crew. On the other hand my treatment was good."

DESCRIBE ASQUITH'S FALL AS A NATIONAL DISASTER

London, Dec. 10.—James H. Thomas, member of parliament for Derby, and the railway men's leaders addressing the men today described Premier Asquith's fall as a nations idisaster. He said it was brought about by press dictatorship, which would bring down Davir Lloyd-George, unless taken in hand.

"What should be labor's attitude in this great crisis," he asked. "We must never lose sight of the fact that we have reached a stage in the world war when peace would be a triumph for German militarism. The present position is such that labor will win or lose the war.

"As we desire a speedy and successful conclusion to the war, we ought to support the government."

London, Dec. 10.—Lloyd's announces that Norweigian steamer Amicities, 1,111 tons, and the British steamer Forth, 525 tons, have been sunk.

OFFICIAL LIST OF THE NEW BRITISH MINISTERS ISSUED

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lor, stipulated that his right to a pension be waived.

Restrictions on Liquors

The measures of the new government for the control of food supplies will be preceded by one for the entire control of liquor, according to well informed sources. Absolute prohibition of the consumption of spirits, except medicintally, and restrictions on the beer trade, are expected. The whole sources of the spirit trade, it is believed, will be put under state control early in the new year, and the accumulated stocks diverted to other purposes than drink. The distillation of whiskey and gin will be prohibited.

EARL CURZON TO WED

His Engagement With Mrs. Grace Elvina Ruggan Is Announced.

London, Dec. 10.—The engagement is announced of Earl Curzon, of Kedleston, former viceroy of India, and Mrs. Grace Elvina Duggan, widow of Alfred Duggan, of Buenos Aires. Mrs. Duggan is the eldest daughter of the late J. Munroe Hinds, formerly American minister to Brazil.

Earl Curzon is a widower. In 1895 he married Mary Victoria, daughter of the late Levi Z. Leiter, of Chicago and Washington. Lady Curzon died in 1906. Three daughters were born of this union.

PRAYERS FOR THE ROYAL FAMILY OF GREECE OMITTED

Paris, Dec. 10.—Prayers for the royal family of Greece were omitted for the first time today in the Greek church in Paris by order of the trustees of the church. Prince George, of Greece, was present. There was no manifestation during the services. Later, in the vestibule of the church, M. Psaralouike, president of the Greek colony, delivered a speech denouncing King Constantine. The assemblage appointed five members to visit the Greek legation and demand the suppression throughout the edific of all mbims of th monarchy.

TRICHINOPOLI IS A FREAK

Oriental Landmark, Queerly Formed Is Site of Worship.

(From an Exchange.)

The name of Trichinopoli is vaguely familiar to most eastern travelers as the name of a widely sold cigar that may be either very good or very bad, depending on the conscience of the man who sells it. They make cigars in Trichinopoli, but the Indian city is worth visiting for other reasons. It is really one of the wonders of the Orient.

Out of the dry, red plain of Southern India rises a huge rock. It towers up from the flatness, monstrous, inexplicable ,buried at the base in the lush green verdure of the southland, but bare and smooth above, where even the ambitious vegetation of that kindly latitude cannot take hold. That is the rock of Trichinopoli, a geological freak, a landmark for scores of miles around, older than history as a site of worship and a home of the gods.

Carved stairways mount it, galleries have been chiseled around the smooth sweep of its sides, temples of unknown size have been hollowed out in the soft interior. It is the abode of mystery so far as Europeans are concerned, for no infidel foot is permitted to tread the inner temples. But you can mount by the outer stairs and galleries, if you will, to where other temples with domes glowing under a film of beaten gold look down over the plain.

DELEGATES ARRIVE BY THE HUNDREDS

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the Norfolk navy yard; an oyster roast at Cape Henry, where Tuesday Former Assistant Secretary of War Henry D. Breckinridge will speak on "Interpeting Fort Storey as a Part of the Scheme of National Defense".

Wednesday evening a dinner will be tendered cabinet officials and other guests of the congress .

RUMANIANS HAD PREPARED FOR FALL OF BUCHAREST

London, Dec. 10.—Telegrapning from Jassy, the provisional capital of Rumania, under date of December 9, the Reuter correspondent says:

"The occupation of Bucharest became known here yesterday through the issuance of an official communication. In anticipation of this event the government had appointed men well known for their German sympathies to the important civil positions, including commander of the town. The commander issued a manifesto the people asking them to remain quiet and declaring the city would be surrendered to the Germans without injury to the inhabitants.

"Premier Bratino will remain in office, but all the other ministers have tendered their resignations."

CHRISTMAS SOCKS FOR TROOPS.

The Canadian Red Cross Collects Gifts For Men in Trenches.

(From the Toronto Globe.)

A Christmas stocking for every Canadian soldier in the trenches, in hospital or camp in England and France, is to be sent this year if the Red Cross plans work out as successfully as they promise to. It is a Dominion-wide effort, and what is being done in Toronto is typical of what hundreds of other branches are doing.

The rooms of the Toronto branch are being piled high with gifts as they come in hourly from the 270 local circles in the city. On the whole, there is a uniformity about the stockings. Each contains a pipe, some tobacco, cigarettes, candy, writing paper, pencil, tooth paste, shaving soap and other things which the workers think ought to go in. But not one is sent out without a word of greeting and a request that the recipient write from the trenches or camp.

Last year Toronto alone sent 6,500 stockings, and Mrs. Stearns Hicks, who has grown up with the Red Cross effort in the city, hopes soon to surpass that figure. Already there are on nand about 4,000 stockings. When ready about the end of this month, they will be forwarded by the Canadian Red Cross to London for distribution.

SUBMARINE LINER DEUTSCHLAND REACHES HOME PORT IN SAFETY

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crude rubber are expected this week. Stevedores have been ordered to report early in January.

EPSTEIN IS CLEARED OF CHARGE OF MURDER

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under a $200 bond for his appearance at the next term of Superior court to answer to the charge of carrying a concealed weapon.

Young Epstein is alleged to have been engaged to Miss Judith Edwards, and the killing occurred in front of the home on the night of April 26, last. According to testimony Epstein had repeatedly been warned to cease his attentions to Miss Edwards and stay away from the Edwards home, and the tragedy occurred when he was in front of the Edwards home waiting for his sweetheart to come out and attend a dance with him.

There were only two eye witnesses to the killing, Mrs. R. L. Crow and Miss Edwards, the former testifying that Epstein shot Edwards several feet from the deceased, while the latter testified that the deceased was choking Epstein at the time of the killing.

CANADIANS FIGHT IN INDIAN FASHION

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for it to attack the enemy and a deadly duel ensues.

It was found early in trench warfare that in the light of flares white faces were shown with uncanny radiance, so now a day's various devices are employed by both sides to prevent this. Some captured Germans have their fnces darkly painted. Black or brown veils are also worn.

Dawn paints another phase of teh front line picture. Flares and rockets are pale and green in the light on coming day. The alinight vigil has made the soldiers "jumpy" and there is the crackle of rifles all along the line. There are spectres in the dawn, and firing the rifles seems to give the men an sense of relief and protection.

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---I DO NOT INTEND TO INSULT YOU BY PAYING YOUR BILL.
BUT I HAVE LEFT YOU A HANDSOME LEGACY IN MY WILL.
VERY KIND OF YOU, I'M SURE. ALLOW ME TO LOOK AT THE PRESCRIPTION AGAIN.
?
THERE IS A SLIGHT ALTERATION I SHOULD LIKE TO MAKE.
HOW WELL TRAINED YOUR DOGS SEEM Mr. DE NUT!!
OH! YES, YOU SEE Mrs. HICKORY I TRAINED THEM MYSELF, THEY ARE THE BEST TRAINED DOGS IN ALL NUTTYVILLE!
YOU DON'T SAY SO!
I AM AN EXPERT DOG-TRAINER, THESE LITTE HOUN' DOGS ARE TRAINED TO OBEY, THEY WOULD NOT BUDGE WITHOUT ME TELLING THEM! I HAVE GOT A SYSTEM, YOU SEE WHEN I SAY THE WORD-
HELP!
FIDO! P-F-T-T S-S-S-S PF-T-T TIGAH! TIGAH! RIP-RIP-RIP
TIGAH! FIDO! COME HERE THIS MINIT!
HERE ARE YOUR OLD PESKY MUTS, YOU BETTER TRAIN THEM NOT TO GO AFTER MY POOR LITTLE, PLAYFUL KITTY!
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THEATRICAL

The greatest combination of talent ever seen in a Paramount photoplay are to be seen at the Grand Theatre today when that marvelous film "The Soul of Kura San," is to be presented, starring the brilliant Japanese actor, Sessue Hayakawa, with the dainty Nipponese actress, Tsuru Aoki, supported by that beautiful artists, Myrtle Stedman, and other supporters whose names would at once place them high were they mentioned.

It is a remarkable and sensational American-Japanese drama written especially for the starring of these superb stars, and will be found one of the most enchanting and interesting of the year.

At the Bijou Today.

The story has to do with the adventures and tribulations of two poor Japanese lovers. They are not able to marry, so decide to commit "shinju", which is double suicide, but when Hayakawa is offered a position in America they decide to wait until he has acquired enough money to return for his bride.

How Kura-San is wronged by an American artist, and how her sweetheart revenges himself on the artist's intended American bride, goes to make a story swift in its action, unusual in its theme and startling in its originality.

The scenes in Japan were made by the members of Mr. Hayakawa's stock company which every winter appears in Japanese plays in the theatre presented him by the wealthy Japanese of Southern California, and which enjoys an excellent patronage by American lovers of dramatic art.

The production was made for the Lasky Company under the personal direction of Edward J. Le Saint and is presented in the usual splendid Lasky manner, the Japanese exteriors and interiors being especially notable for their beauty.

Splendid Vaudeville Attraction

Castle's Famous Casino Girls Company open a week's engagement at the Victoria today, and the management in booking this attraction for the final week of musical comedy at that theatre feel that they have an organization that will furnish Wilmington amusement lovers such a week of entertainment as they seldom have the pleasure of seeing.

Reports from up the State where this superb aggregation have been playing for several weeks are all unanimous in declaring this company one of the "best of the season", and it should indeed prove a innovation, with its great special features and acts at the Victoria this week.

Carrying almost a carload of special scenery and electrical effects, dozens of trunks of nifty costumes, and big equipment throughout, for staging their shows in the most up-to-date manner, The Casino Girls Company will present for Wilmingtonians this week three of the biggest tabloid musical comedy creations of the season, starting today with a presentation of that laughable farce, "The Honeymooners" with some of the prettiest scenery, niftiest costumes, and biggest song and dance numbers ever seen at the Victoria.

Bill Bailey, and Ben Hassen, two of the best comedy artists ever seen in Wilmington will give you such laughs as you seldom get, while that great vaudeville act, Morrell and Tager, "From Grand Opera to Ragtime" furnishes something new, novel and entirely out of the ordinary. One of the best trained dancing choruses on the road, is the report from the Castle organization, and the usual free courtesy will be extended to ladies tonight.

Sequel to "Diamond From the Sky"

The announcement of the coming of the great $10,000.00 sequel to "The Diamond From the Sky," beginning tomorrow at the Bijou, has created a veritable sensation. The many thousands who followed this record-breaking serial through fifteen weeks, and were then told to watch for the sequel clearing up all the mystery, have been waiting now for months and will gladly welcome it tomorrow with a record-breaking crowd.

All the old favorites of the original production are again in the cast. Arthur and Blair Stanley-Esther and Vivian Marston—Quabbs, the hunchback, and Smythe, the quaint English solicitor, are all again to take up the narrative and complete it. Popular William Russell—beautiful Charlotte Burton—talented William Tedmarsh—funny Orral Humphreys, are all in the cast again with many new players, including handsome Thomas Chatterton, of "The Secret of the Submarine", and beautiful Rhea Mitchell. The sequel is an entirely new story. It is tremendously thrilling, powerfully dramatic, superbly photographed and enacted by the very best cast obtainable.

You will learn what became of little Arthur Stanley, heir to the English estate; what became of the great "diamond from the sky;" what became of the vampire, Vivian Marston; what became of Blair Stanley, and all the other characters in this great drama, in eight reels of superb photoplay, two reels a week for the next four weeks. And last but not least, you will have revealed for the first time, the winner of the great $10,000 prize offered for this sequal. Don't forget—and come early tomorrow.

Billie Ritchie Back Again

It would not be necessary to put a single word in this space today to pack the Bijou Theatre, with the exception of the one word—"Liberty"—but as that is just half of the show today, the house is due to be packed and jammed from early in today until late at night.

"Liberty" is one serial which actually gets better every week—everyone who is following it will agree to this—and the attendance, consequently is getting bigger each week, until it is simply a proposition to handle the crowds now who throng the theatre every Monday. In today's big chapter there is doubtless more thrills injected to the square foot than in any photoplay you have ever witnessed at the Bijou, and Marie Walcamp does the very greatest work of the whole serial so far in this chapter.

But Billie Ritchie is back again, and this means still bigger crowds today, for he presents his very latest brand new two reel L-Ko scream, "Where is My Wife"? the greatest rip-snorter in which this great comedy king has ever starred. The L-Ko people contrive to get more funny things for their actors to do than any other comedy pictures made. When Billie in a bath tub goes sliding about the hotel of which he is proprietor, forced first one way and then another by the streams of water being played on him, there is real comedy, and whatever the highbrows may say a person that can sit still without laughing at this picture has a piece of dull lead where his funny bone ought to be. Don't miss it.

Jolly Sallie Stembler with "Maid to Order," Academy of Music Saturday, December 16, Matinee and Night.

Julia Gifford in "Sweethearts," Victor Herbert's Masterpiece, at the Academy of Music, Matinee and Night, on next Wednesday.

"Maid to Order."

A combination of clever dialogue, tuneful music, song lyrics that appeal both to sentimental and humorous tastes, an acting company every individual members of which can sing and dance and a complete and elaborate production, make the success of "Maid to Order," which will be the attraction at the Academy of Music, matinee and night, on next Saturday, December 16. It is in three merry, jingling, melodious acts in which there is not one dull moment and replete with musical numbers of a high order. The company is one of unusual excellence and includes among its principal members, Virginia Reynolds, Sallie Stembler, Harry Macdonough, Jr., Jack MacClellan and the famous Russell sisters.

The matinee prices are 25 cents for the balcony seats and 50 cents for lower floor seats. Children 25 cents to any seat. The night prices range from 50 cents to $1. Tickets will go on sale at Elvington's Pharmacy Thursday morning.

Victor Herbert's 'Sweethearts."

Lovers of romantic light opera and especially those who delight in the tuneful melodies of Victor Herbert, will be pleased to learn that "Sweethearts," one of the most popular works of the famous American composers, with charming Julia Gifford singing the title role, will play two performances at the Academy of Music on next Wednesday, matinee and night.

This master work of Mr. Herbert has never been presented in this city, and in order to make the engagement a notable one, Mr. Chris O. Brown, under whose management the fairy opera will be presented here, has gathered many members of the original New York company and the costume embellishments and scenic investitures will be in keeping with the magnitude of the production.

The book by Harry B. Smith and Fred de Cresac, and lyrics by Robert B. Smith to which Victor Herbert has written a tuneful score, is founded on an old Flemish legend with the scene land in the quaint old city of Bruges in Belgium.

The Princess Sylvia, is abducted in her infancy in order that a male heir may be the next in line to the throne.

The baby Princess is deposited in a tulip bed where she is found by a kind hearted old laundress, who brings the child up as one of her own.

Sylvia grows to girlhood unmindful of her royal birth and when the gallant price comes awoogin, the story again proves the old adage the whole world loves a lover.

It is most natural that when the members of the court learn that the prince and heir presumptive to the throne has fallen in love with the daughter of the village laundress, that all sorts of obstacles are thrown in his path, but love triumphs as it always has and will in fairy stories and real life and every one is happy.

Victor Herbert has composed a series of melodies for "Sweethearts" that will live forever and the waltz song and theme song "Sweethearts" is one of the most tuneful numbers that Mr. Herbert has written.

Some of the numbers including "The Angelus," "For Every Lover," Mother Goose," "In the Convent They Never Taught Me That" and a score of others.

The matinee prices will be from 50 cents to $1.50. Night prices will range from 75 cents to $2. Tickets go on sale this morning at 9 o'clock at Elvington's Pharmacy.

CHARLOTTE BURTON

Star in the Sequel to "The Diamond From the Sky," at the Bijou Tomorrow.

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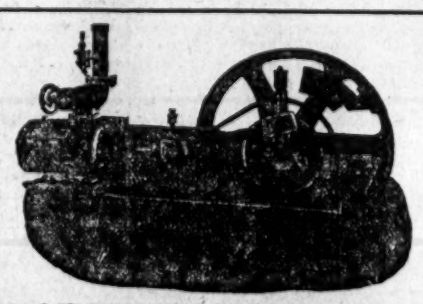

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President.
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TOP O' THE MORNING.

When the years have slipped by and memory runs back over the path you have trod, you will be glad that you stopped to speak to every friend you met, and left them all with a warmer feeling in their hearts because you did.
—From "What Will Make you Glad"
—PRESBYERIAN

"Be of good heart."

Just two weeks from today!

Bab and Babble are settling most everything by conversation.

Some people say what they think. Others don't think what they say.

"It's strange how business keeps up," but it does. Everthing keeps way up.

"What ship is that?" What does the Old Man of the Sea see to the east'd?

Everybody will love dad during the next two weeks, but it makes him suspicious.

Stop, look and listen before you dash on a railroad crossing or before you fly across a street railway track.

When a man is expected to do the impossible he rarely ever fails. Those who try it never fail to get the blame.

Wisdom sits enthroned upon the brow of every boob but he sows his hard-earned kaleseed helter-skelter by the rood.

One of New York's prominent exchange men is named Bond. He is interested in Bonds at home and bonds down town.

Nothing so delights Atlanta as when a Macon man gets lost when he tries to personally conduct himself during his visits to the capital city.

If there were only one egg king he might be called and be compelled to drop his candy, but Chicago sends us word that there are four egg kings to be beaten in the egg hame. Who dealt those kyards?

What's become of the old fashioned gentleman who used to be encored when he sang, "Sitting on the Stile, Mary?" Once the stile was the thing but the right-now Mary wouldn't be caught sitting on the stile with a boob. She sees herself motoring in style—and Romeo he pays the freight.

There is nothing fishy about the stories that both Southport and New Bern send out about the prosperous condition of the menhaden industry. The catch is large and the factories are busily making oil and scrap. It means some more prosperity for the coast country.

In the Bible there are standing warnings about "a time of great trial." That "rainy day" comes soon or late but sure Every day of joy has its night. Every dawn has its gloaming. The evening and the morning constitute one day—a bright part and a dark part. What do we do with all our daylight?

Brother Davis of the Anti-Saloon League has succeeded in enlisting the interest of Colonel William J. Bryan in the North Carolina situation and the league's designs on the Legislature. The Colonel will come to Raleigh. He will attend the league convention on January 15. The Legislature will be in session at the time and of course will get the benefit of his speech—Charlotte Observer.

Don't forget that the progress of Wilmington and all this section depends upon building up on the inside and on the outside. You can dope out all the booster plans you want, but the greatest substantial development and the largest financial returns rest upon co-ordinated plans for municipal and rural development and progress. No unsettled country has ever produced a great city. No city can be a bit larger than the volume of trade it can draw from its tributary territory.

THE MANUFACTURE OF RAW MATERIALS.

At the recent meeting of the representatives of the State agricultural and industrial colleges, held at Washington, one of the speakers urged the importance of putting as much labor as possible into our products before selling them for export. In other words, instead of exporting our raw materials for manufacture abroad, the manufacturing should be done in the United States, so we can export the finished products. That, the speaker urged, should be done "so that American wage earners would be paid for their labor, and, in turn, would become purchasers of farm products."

The esteemed Chester (Pa.) Republican sees a good protective tariff argument in that, and so it approves the idea of turning our raw materials into manufactured products and goes on to say:

"The address was made after election at a non-political meeting, and the speaker never mentioned politics or tariff, but it was a mighty good protective tariff speech, for we cannot have factories here unless we prevent ruinous competition from countries where cheap labor and low standards of living prevail."

That college man made a capital suggestion, but it is an economic and not a tariff question. Neither is it a political question. Calling for protection in order to enable us to manufacture all our raw materials is putting the cart before the horse. A high tariff would shut out foreign manufactured goods only, but it would not prevent foreigners from continuing to import our raw materials. We would have to put an embargo on the shipment of raw materials in order to keep Europeans from importing them. Therefore, a high tariff would not help us to keep them from getting our raw cotton, for i..stance.

As an economic fact, if we were to levy a high duty on imports it would increase the cost of manufacture here. Therefore, having prevented Europe from buying our raw materials, if possible, we would find no market abroad for our high cost manufactured products. We could not expect to place tariff made products on sale in Europe where, it is alleged, "cheap labor and low standards of living prevail."

Europe can take our cheap raw materials in order to keep her "cheap" labor busy, but she certainly could not take our expensive manufactures and sell them to her unemployed cheap labor. In fact, we would kill the goose that lays the golden egg. We would never have a market in Europe for our raw materials nor have a market there for the expensively produced good of American factories. There are some economic facts which knock both protective tariff and free trade theories in the head.

The trade fact of the case is that if we can bring about a healthy equilibrium of buying and selling in our dealings with foreign countries all buyers and sellers would be prosperous. If we were strictly sellers and not buyers, we would soon drain the world of all its money. Then no county could either buy from us or be able to exchange commodities with us. Even the huge balance of trade which we now have against Europe upset London exchange and forced England to send her gold here to keep her credit up. If we were buying British manufactures, that would keep the balances nearer equal and both countries would be in a healthier trading state. British goods would answer the purpose of British gold and we would not have the danger of money inflation in this country.

It is a literal truth that we can sell people so much that it will "bust" them and bankrupt us because of their inability to send us either money or goods. On the other hand, if the world did not buy much from us, a great period of depression would prevail in this country. A happy trade medium is better than prohibitive tariffs and free trade ideas that upset economic conditions.

WE HAVE FOOD TO SPARE

We have no serious food shortage in this country, but the fact is we have food to spare for consumers elsewhere in the world. Briefly summarized, that is the purport of the annual report of the Secretary of Agriculture presented to Congress last Thursday. Secretary Houston knows the situation and what he says ought to allay the apprehension, felt to a considerable extent in this country, as to the insufficiency of foodstuffs to keep our own people from going hungry.

The fact is, there was a general shortage of most all crops in this country last season, but there was plenty of nearly everything for our own population, though there was not such a surplus over American demand as that we would have as much to export as usual. However, the panicky feeling among consumers in this country was not due to the fear that we would not have enough to eat, but it is owing to the continuous rising of prices for the most necessary of foodstuffs. For that reason many people favored an embargo on foodstuffs in order to bring down prices within reach of those who did not care to reduce their standard of living. While, as Secretary Houston says, we have food to spare, it is quite reasonable to suppose that the large export demand makes us pay more than normal prices for what we have to eat. We are eating and buying what we eat in competition with a warring and non-producing Europe.

There is no need to fear, the Secretary asserts, that the population of the United States is growing so fast that it will outstrip the production of food for the country's millions of consumers. This summary gives us an idea of the view expressed in a more general way in the report of the Secretary of Agriculture:

"The production of foods in the United States has held its own in some branches and has increased in others. The alarming decline in beef production which set in some time ago reached the lowest point in 1913, and since then has increased materially. At the same time there has been a marked increase in the production of swine. Sheep have declined slightly. More of these meat animals have been slaughtered under government supervision during the fiscal year ended June 30, 1916, than ever before, the report states. The heaviest slaughtering has been accompanied by an increase in the number of living animals, however. Secretary Houston says that the situation gives reason for the brightest optimism, it being indicated that the United States can not only supply its own food needs, but can feed a large proportion of the people of the outside world. The report states that the department has energetically worked through the eradication of disease and the development of stock raising to increase the food supply. He recommends the inauguration of a vigorous campaign against tuberculosis in hogs and cattle, which, he estimates, is causing annual losses in the United States of $25,000,000."

There yet remains the question whether or not corners on foodstuffs account for unwarrantably high prices. Speculation in many foodstuffs is well known, and there is little doubt that the distribution of certain very essential articles of food is monopolized. Prices are controlled or fixed either reasonably or unreasonably by certain large interests so heavily capitalized that they are able to very seriously limit distribution at will in order to keep up prices. It may be true that nobody in this country will have to go without food, but millions do have to stint themselves because of excessive and even prohibitive prices for people of small means.

Secretary Houston's report states that the secret of continuing to feed the world lies in the expansion by the American people of the acreage of tilled lands. Certainly there is great opportunity in North Carolina for the development of at least one half of the 22,000,000 idle acres of land in this State. Secretary Houston declared that food crops should be stabilized and be better regulated, while crops should be rotated scientifically and the entire business of tilling the soil should be placed on a more scientific basis.

That, of course, is what the National and State agricultural departments are endeavoring to do, but one who investigates the question of American production very closely must recognize the fact that our system of distribution and the handling of foodstuffs is largely the cause of excessive prices to consumers out of proportion to the prices received by the producers. We really ought to produce more generally instead of in sections, so that consumers would not be taxed with the expense of concentrating foodstuffs under a costly system and then distributing them from certain primary market by an exceedingly costly system of transportation.

We can live cheaper in the South if we will quit paying costly concentration and long haul rates on what we consume. We can cut all that out by raising our own foodstuffs at home in order to keep from paying the handling cost and freight charges that probably constitute one third the price at which we buy our fodstuffs from remote centers of production. People who eat Wisconsin butter pay not less than 10 cents a pound for cold storage and refrigerator transportation. The price which we pay for fresh meats is also largely increased in the same way. Production here will save the necessarily large distribution charges that go to make prices high.

SHIFT IN OUR FOREIGN TRADE

During the last fiscal year the United States has had a foreign trade greater than that of any other country during any year. This statement, heretofore made by others, is corriborated by the annual report of Dr. Edward Ewing Pratt, chief of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce, United States Department of Commerce, which report is just now made public. The principal theme of the report is the development of American foreign trade during the second year of the war.

Dr. Pratt calls particular attention to the notable fact that during the past year there has been a marked shifting in the character of our foreign trade. "Most important of all, perhaps," he says, "is the great increase in our exportations of manufactured goods and the decrease in our imports of such goods." Not only has our foreign trade, and especially our exports, increased at a tremendous rate, but the situation during the last fiscal year has shown a genuinely striking change, Dr. Pratt declares.

"Contrary to the general impression," says Dr. Pratt, "the United States played a significant role in international trade previous to the war, but it should be observed that raw materials, foodstuffs, and unfinished products formed together by far the most important part of our exports, and that manufactured goods formed a very considerable part of our imports."

The situation has shifted, however, during the past year, and now we are exporting a far greater volume of manufactured goods and importing fewer. This means, it would seem, that the volume of our exports represent greater proportionate profits in America, as the American manufacturers get the profits that have heretofore been pocketed by foreign manufacturers.

From the standpoint of the manufacturers, Dr. Pratt's report is of unusual interest, because of the foregoing facts which it points out and its analysis of what the larger foreign markets mean to the manufacturer. The report says:

"To the manufacturer, however, foreign trade means something more than an increased demand for his products. There are very few factories producing at any thing like full capacity. The average factory is probably producing at not more than 75 per cent capacity. If the manufacturer could find a steady and reliable outlet for this additional 25 per cent capacity, he would be able not only to increase his profits greatly, but to reduce considerably his overhead."

The report lays emphasis upon the fact that foreign trade considerably increases the general stability of business conditions in a country. A widely distributed foreign trade means greater average stability.

THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE

Written by Mr. M. J. Westmorland, of Company A, North Carolina Engineers, now stationed at Camp Stewart, Texas.)

What makes a soldier bow his head?
What makes a soldier true?
This is it, I've often said,
The Red, White and Blue.

What is it for which I do shed
My life blood through and through?
'Tis naught but those that's dead
For the Red, White and Blue.

Why will I stay on the border
And fight old Villa's crew?
'Tis not my captain's orders;
'Tis the Red, White and Blue.

Why did I leave my sweetheart
My patriotic duty to do?
This is why I had to part,
For the Red, White and Blue.

When I'm an old gray haired man,
And my battles are all through,
My boy, then you'll understand,
'Tis the Red, White and Blue.

When in my grave so cold I lie,
My boy, will you be true?
And when they ask will you reply
'Tis the Red, White and Blue?

CURRENT COMMENT.

The Wilmington Star tells us that the certain prospect of a packing house in that city is already inducing quite a number of eastern North Carolina farmers to "try sheep raising again." That the experiments will prove successful goes almost without saying. Considering the present price of wool, the average farmer would find it profitable to keep a small flock of sheep for their clip alone. A local market for lambs and the surplusage of sheep will make it doubly so.—Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

BRYAN TO SPEAK BEFORE THE ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

Will Come to Raleigh at Meeting to Be Held There January 15th.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 10.—The general meeting of the North Carolina Anti-Saloon League for launching the campaign among the members of the 1917 Legislature for further advances in the prohibition law of the State is to be held here January 15 and Superintendent R. L. Davis announces that he has induced Hon. William Jennings Bryan to come to Raleigh at this time and deliver the principal prohibition address.

Superintendent Davis also hopes to have Judge S. D. Weakley, of Alabama, here for an address, he being an especially enthusiastic prohibitionist and effective worker for the cause in his state. He was formerly chief justice of the Alabama supreme court.

MOVE FOR PADON FOR E. S. THOMAS MEETS OPPOSITION

New Bern Aldermen Forward Protest to Governor Craig.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 10.—A movement launched for the procurement of a pardon for E. S. Thomas, the young man serving one year sentence to Wake roads for entering the Pullman car berth of a young lady traveling from New Bern to Knoxville, Tenn., while the train was standing in the union station shed at Raleigh, has stirred bitter opposition, especially at New Bern where the young woman has relatives. The New Bern aldermen have sent to Governor Craig a protest against any interference with the full service of the sentence imposed by the courts as being entirely inadequate. The case will not be passed on by the governor for some time yet.

ATKINS NOT TO RESIGN

Will Continue at Head of Slater School For Negroes at Winston-Salem.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 10.—Announcement has been made at the Department of Education that Dr. S. G. Atkins, principal of the Slater Industrial and State Normal School for negroes, at Winston-Salem, has decided to continue his work with Slater instead of accepting the election recently tendered him to become president of Livingston College, Salisbury.

In connection with this announcement it was declared that the educational authorities of the State are much gratified at the decision of Dr. Atkins, especially for the reason that they regard him as the most able and efficient member of the race engaged in educational work at this time. His decision to remain with Slater is on the ground that he recognizes the importance and effectiveness of the teacher training work that the State is undertaking to do through Slater and the other negro normal schools and believes he can best serve his race in his capacity as directing this training in Slater school.

JUDGE CLARK SPEAKS

Chief Justice Delivers Address on Woman Suffrage at Greenville.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greenville, N. C., Dec. 10.—Supreme Court Chief Justice Walter Clark, of Raleigh, addressed not a large audience in the auditorium of the High School last night. Women predominated in the audience. His subject was "Woman or Equal Suffrage." The suffragettes were out in force, though not in large numbers as they do not number many here. Of course, he delighted them.

His address was more on legal lines than any other. He also took in the political side of the question and endeavored to show that the enfranchisement of the women would not affect the political status of the State. He discussed it nationally and otherwise. The judge is evidently a very enthusiastic male suffragette.

CALOMEL SICKENS! IT'S MERCURY! DANGER

"Dodson's Liver Tone" Straightens You Up Better Than Salivating, Dangerous Calomel and Doesn't Make You Sick—Don't Lose a Day's Work—Wonderful Discovery Destroying Sale of Calomel Here.

You're bilious! Your liver is sluggish! You feel lazy, dizzy and all knocked out. Your head is dull, your tongue is coated; breath bad; stomach sour and bowels constipated. But don't take salivating calomel. It makes you sick, you may lose a day's work.

Calomel is mercury or quicksilver which causes necrosis of the bones. Calomel crashes into sour bile like dynamite, breaking it up. That's when you feel that awful nausea and cramping.

If you want to enjoy the nicest, gentlest liver and bowel cleansing you ever experienced just take a spoonful of harmless Dodson's Liver Tone tonight. Your druggist or dealer sells you a 50 cent bottle of Dodson's Liver Tone under my personal money-back guarantee that each spoonful will clean your sluggish liver better than a dose of nasty calomel and that it won't make you sick.

Dodson's Liver Tone is real liver medicine. You'll know it next morning because you will wake up feeling fine, your liver will be working, your headache and dizziness gone, your stomach will be sweet and your bowels regular. You will feel like working; you'll be cheerful; full of vigor and ambition.

Dodson's Liver Tone is entirely vegetable, therefore harmless, and can not salivate. Give it to your children. Millions of people are using Dodson's Liver Tone instead of dangerous calomel now. Your druggist will tell you that the sale of calomel is almost stopped entirely here.

CHINAWARE OWED TO CHINA.

That Country Was the First to Make Porcelain.

(From New York Evening World.)

It is to the Chinese alone that the world owes the creation of chinaware.

While the Greeks, who have persistently laid claim to the invention of this article of modern everyday use, were making experiments with terra cotta the Chinese had already completed the manufacture of porcelain. The assertions of Chinese histories that pottery was made in the Chinese Empire as far back as 2900 B. C. are open to considerable question. It is a matter of undisputable record, however, that porcelain was extensively produced in China about 87 B. C.

From that period the art was developed and perfected through the centuries, the center of the industry being King-le-Chin, where porcelain was first made in 580 A. D., while in the 18th century this town possesses no fewer than 3,000 furnaces. Of all Chinese porcelain the most prized, even at this day, is the old blue ware, imitated by the Delft manufacturers.

From China to Japan the knowledge of the production of porcelain was carried on in 27 B. C. Seven hundred years later the first company of porcelain makers was established in Tokio. It is, however, rather in the production of pottery than of porcelain that the Japanese have displayed pre-eminent skill.

The first record of the appearance of porcelain ware in Europe is in 1487, when Lorenzo de Medici received from the Sultan of Egypt a present of blue Chinese porcelain. The appearance of chinaware in Europe led to strenuous and intermittent efforts at imitation, the earliest European porcelain of which any examples exist being that made in 1580 by Francis de Medici II, Grand Duke of Tuscany, this attempt, however, ceasing seven years later. From time to time the industry appears to have been revived in France, but it was not until 1696 that porcelain making took firm root at St. Cloud, to be further developed 50 years later at Vincennes.

In 1756 the centre of the industry was finally transferred to Sevres, while in 1760, at the direction of Louis XV. the works became the property of the nation, surviving the maelstrom of the revolution and continuing, in spite of all changes of government, until the present day. Twenty-five years earlier Boetcher had established the famous works of Meissen, near Dresden, Saxony.

In Great Britain manufacturers have at all times centred their attention on the making of soft porcelain of the kind used in the everyday cup and saucer. The works at Chelsea, Derby and Worcester were started, respectively, in 1745 and 1751, hard porcelain making being begun by Robert Cookworthy at Plymouth in 1768 and continued by Richard Champlin at Bristol until 1781.

CHAMPION FAST MOVING STAR

Would Require 190 Years to Cross the Moon's Disk.

(From the Philadelphia Ledger.)

Professor Barnard, of the Yerkes Observatory, has published his discovery of a star having a greater proper motion than any previously known. The star is of the eleventh magnitude and situated in the constellation Ophiuch us.

Everybody in the universe is believed to be in motion. The stars, however, are so very far from us that it requires observations very carefully made and extending over long periods of time to reveal the fact that they move at all. In many cases, especially among the fainter stars, no motion has as yet been detected, although we can scarcely doubt the existence of motion.

By comparing a photograph of a region of the sky taken May 30, 1916, with one of the same region taken August 24, 1894, at the Lick Observatory, Barnard detected that one of the stars had changed its position by a considerable amount in the interval of 22 years. This star changes its position by about 10 seconds of arc each year. Before this discovery the star having the most rapid motion was a star known as Cordoba Z. V. 243, a star of the 8.5 magnitude, which moves about 8.70 seconds each year. Even though Barnard's star moves faster than any other, it will require 190 years for it to move a distance equal to the moon's diameter.

Such rapidly moving stars are of considerable importance, for their great motions may either indicate a very great velocity or a comparatively small distance from us. Several observatories are engaged in taking observations upon this star with a view to determining its distance. The observations require at least six months' time. A preliminary value given by its spectrum shows that the star is 16.8 light years from the earth. This distance implies a velocity 1 nspeace of 161 miles per second.

London, Dec. 10.—Reuter's Christiania correspondent says the Nobel committee has decided by 28 votes to 11 not to distribute the Nobel peace prizes for 1915 and 1916. The Nobel peace prize has not been awarded since 1913.

SUBSCRIBE $2,000 FOR THE NEW GYMNASIUM AT TRINITY

About 150 Graduates and Former Students Have Dinner.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Trinity College, Dec. 10.—About 150 graduates and former students of the college sat down to dinner together last night at 6 o'clock and before they separated two hours later raised by voluntary subscriptions the sum of $2,000 towards the fund with which a new gymnasium is to be erected in the near future. Col. John F. Bruton, of Wilson, presided and acted as toastmaster, and among those responding to toasts were Dr. Franklin N. Parker, of Emory Universary, Atlanta, Ga.; Rev. Dr. Bradshaw, of Raleigh; Rev. W. A. Stanbury, of Wilson; Rev. R. H. Bennett, of Emory University, Atlanta, Ga.; President W. P. Few and Bishop John C. Kilgo.

GIRL SHERIFF MAY LOSE.

Vote in Bergen County, N. J., Probably Means Her Dismissal.

(Hackensack dispatch in Newark Call.)

Will Miss Constanee Kopp, one of Bergen county undersheriffs, continue to be one of the county's "cops" now that the county has voted in favor of the civil service law? This is a question of much concern to Sheriff-elect John W. Courter, for he lives in the township in which Miss Kopp resides, and as a county detective he made an investigation of the stories told by Miss Kopp regarding a siege of terror at her home, reporting back that he didn't believe them.

Later, with the aid of Sheriff Heath, a Paterson silk manufacturer was convicted and sentenced for sending Miss Kopp threatening letters. For her clever work in this case she was made an undersheriff, and made good, the sheriff claims, by making other clever captures, including that of the Rev. Dr. Von Mathesius.

One campaign circular opposed to civil service referred to Miss Kopp as a "cumbersome lady policeman," and seemed to extend pity to the next sheriff if he would be compelled to retain her.

Whether or not Miss Kopp will seek to be retained is not known.

Madison, Wis., Dec. 10.—John F. Dietz, convicted in 1910 of the murder of Oscar Harp, in the famous Cameron Diam Case, has been denied application for a pardon, Governor Philipp announced today. Dietz is serving a 20-year term.

PLAN GREATER DRIVE DURING COMING YEAR

Anti-Saloon League to Wage Relentless War Against Rum.

Rev. R. L. Davis, State Secretary, Spoke Twice Here Yesterday—Scores Use of Club Rooms as Storing Places for Liquor

The driving of the liquor traffic from the National capital at Washington, preparation for nation wide prohibition, and the adoption of more stringent laws regulating the sale and use of intoxicating liquors in North Carolina, are some of the paramount issues now before the Anti--Saloon League, according, to Rev. R. L. Davis, of Raleigh the State Secretary, who spoke at Grace Methodist church yesterday morning, and at Fifth Avenue Methodist church last night.

Mr. Davis took his text in the eighth verse of the third chapter of the First Epistle of John. "For this purpose the son of God was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil". He said this being the purpose of Christ's coming it followed that the church must carry on the work. Only thus could we be co-laborers with Christ.

The speaker said that it was now admitted that the liquor traffic was the work of the devil, therefore it was the duty of Christians to co-operate with Christ to break it up. If this cannot be done, said Mr. Davis, then Christ's mission to earth was a failure.

The speaker took a shot at the sale of wine and home made cider, and asserted that they too ought to be put under the ban. It made no difference he pointed out whether a man was drunk on wine or liquor ,it was still the work of the devil.

"With 60 per cent of the entire population of the country, living in dry territory, and with 85 per cent of the total area under prohibition laws, why shall not we, who believe in majority rule have a dry capital?" demanded Mr. Davis in his address yesterday morning.

The speaker scored the liquor traffic in no uncertain terms. He declared that the laws now in force in North Carolina are insufficient to prevent the liquor traffic from being carried on. Mr. Davis pointed out numerous loop holes in the "quart -every-fifteen-days" method of shipping liquor into the State. He declared that when this law went into effect that the whiskey interests got their attorneys together, and after finding that the statute did not provide for the amount of alchohol to be contained in each quart, they manufactured the stuff so that it could be diluted, and began to advertise it as "two-in-one".

Mr. Davis scored the use of club rooms for the purpose of storing liquor He declared that he had yet to see one of these clubs that was not in reality a saloon. He intimated that those in this city might be different, but suggested that if they were, he would be glad to inspect them some time today, and added that he could be found at the Hotel Wilmington.

The speaker expressed himself as opposed to the storing of intoxicants in clubs rather than in the home. He pointed out that if a man must keep liquor, he should be forced to keep it at home, where if it debauched anyone, it would be his own son, and not the son of his neighmor or friend.

"The day is past" declared the speaker, "when the Church of God is to be criticised and ridiculed for making war on vice, and other handiwork of the devil." Continuing he made a brief comparison of existing conditions today, regarding the liquor question, with those of a decade ago. Mr. Davis asserted that where he formerly saw 50 drunk men every week he now saw only one or two.

The Anti-Saloon League was never in favor of the present state legislation, said Mr. Davis, and it still hopes to accomplish its purpose in obtaining still more rigid laws. One of the more important pieces of legislation that the league now has in view is a bill to prohibit the use of the United States mail for carrying liquor advertisements.

In conclusion, Mr. Davis briefly sketched the programme that the league will endeavor to carry out in regard to new measures to be placed before both houses of the National Congress. He predicted that the statute barring liquor advertisements from the United States mails would be more difficult to pass than the others, because it would require a two thirds majority in both houses. Had it not been for this, said Mr. Davis, the act would have passed in 1914, when it received a majority, but not a two thirds majority.

Mr. Davis said he had written to both the North Carolina senators, asking them to remain on the right side of the fence when the liquor acts come before the Senate. He also asked for the prayers of the congregation to aid him in his work.

At the close of the service, many in the congregation went forward to assure Mr. Davis of their support, and to tell him that Wilmington will be represented at the Biennial Anti-Saloon League convention at Raleigh January 15-16. Hon. William Jennings Bryan will be one of the principal speakers at the convention. $112.75 was contributed to the cause of the league at Grace church services while Fifth Avenue church gave $100.30, last night.

TWO SMALL BLAZES

Fire Department Responded to Two Calls Yesterday Morning

The fire department was called out twice yesterday morning to extinguish small blazes that were threatening to become dangerous. The first call came at 9:25, and came from No. 610 South Ninth street, where the residence of Julia McKay had caught from a chimney spark.

The second alarm was at 11:20, coming from Delgado, where a woodhouse belonging to Mr. Jasper Mifliken was on fire. Little damage was done in either case.

Rheumatism

is completely washed out of the system by the celebrated S ivar Mineral Water. Positively guaranteed by money-back offer. Tastes fine costs a rifle. Delivered anywhere by our Wilmington Agents, Elvington's Pharmacy, Cor. 2nd and Princess Sts.

A FESTIVAL OF DEDICATION

Channukah is Important Feast Day in Hebrew Calendar—Its Significance Fully Explained.

The original and purpose of the festival of dedication, an important day in the Hebrew calendar, which comes this year on December 20th, is explained fully in a bulletin prepared by the Tract Commission of the Central Conference of American Rabbis.

"Although rated in the tradition calendar as a minor festival," says the bulletin, "compared with the Biblical festivals and holy days, the post-Biblical Channukah (Feast of Dedication—more familiarly known as the Feast of Lights) is in reality of major significance, commemorating, as it does, one of the most heroic and far-reaching victories for fatherland and faith.

"The historic back ground of the festival is furnished by the stirring events from about 168 to 165 B. C. The varying fortunes of war which followed the terrific break-up of the mighty empire of Alexander the Great left the much contested Judaea under the domination of the Graeco-Syrian dynasty, known as the House of Seleucus." The king at this time was Antiochus IV., surnamed Epiphanes, i. e., the illustrious, however, derisively called Epimanes (Madman). His was a wildly capricious nature, and under the obsession that political unity was dependent on a unity of religion and national culture among all the people in his dominions, he sought forcibly to superimpose upon the Jews Greek customs, deities and cult. Thus Hellenism and Hebraism came into definite conflict. The issue was drawn between Jove and the pantheon of Olympus, and Jahweh, God of Hosts, between the sensuous ideal of beauty and the beauty of holiness represented by the prophetic ideals of righteousness; between polytheism and monotheism. The outcome was to have tremendous consequences for the spirit destinies not of Israel alone, but also of the world.

"At the command of Antiochus, Jerusalem was despoiled, the Temple desecrated, heathen rites instituted and the people under direct penalties forbidden to follow the dictates of their holy faith. Many suffered most cruel martyrdom rather than prove disloyal, though members of the nobility and some priestly worldlings turned apostates. Silent suffering gave way to heroic resistance when at Modin the venerable Mattathias struck down the royal emissary and with his five lion-hearted sons rallied the faithful to the banner of true religion. A year of successful guerrila warfare followed.

"On the death of Mattathias, his son, Judah, the Maccabee (Hammer), so surnamed because of the mighty blows he struck for Liberty and Right, became commander-in-chief, with his noble brothers ably seconding him. Though only a few thousand in number and poorly equipped, the Maccabees were inspired by such patriotic fervor and holy zeal that they dared join issue with the formidale phalanxes of the Greeks and in rapid succession they signally defeated the armies of Apollonius, Seron, Gorgias, Lysias and Nicanor. The victory at Beth Zur in 165 B. C. was the crowning victory.

"The way to Jerusalem was now open. Judah and his triumphant little band pressed on to the Holy City. They threw down the heathen altars, destroyed the idols, purified the shrine and on the 25th of Kislev, exactly three years after it had been profaned by the Greek Cult, the Temple, amid rejoicing and thanksgiving, was rededicated to the worship of the One God. Hence the name of Channukah, or Feast of Dedication. The joyous celebration lasted eight days, evidently after the manner of the dedication of the original Temple under King Solomon.

"Legend, however, has a different explanation. According to it the eight-day celebration grew out of the fact, that, when the perpetual lamp was to be relit, only a small cruse of the sacred oil was to be found, an amount sufficient seemingly for only one day. But mirculously it lasted for eight days until the new supply was obtained. It is thus that tradition explains the second name of the festival as the "Feast of Lights." Irrespective of literal facts, the legend enshrines a great truth, viz., that the pure light of religion finds supplies of spiritual energy to feed it to new flame even when seemingly about to be quenched.

"The celebration of Channukah has no elaborate ritual either in the synagogue or the home. Its principal ceremonial is the kindling of the lights —one the first night, two the second night, and so on, cumulatively, until the full eight are reached on the eighth night. And in kindling the symbolic lights there is meant to be enkindled at the same time on the altar of the heart, in old and young alike, the flame of loyalty and enthusiasm for the great ideals which the heroic struggle of the Maccabees embodied. The festival this year begins December 20th. The corresponding Hebrew date is the 25th of Kislev."

CONGREGATION HEARS REPORTS

Pastor and Layman Tell of Convention at Calvary Baptist Church

Reports of the recent Baptist convention held at Elizabeth City were made at Calvary Baptist church last night by the pastor, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, and Mr. D. L. Gore, who attended as a lay member.

Plans were made for a method of increasing the subscription list of the Biblical Recorder in the church. It was decided that hereafter three laymen would attend the State convention along with the pastor, the church to defray all expenses. Arrangements were made to secure one of the ministerial students of Wake Forest College during the summer months.

MEETS WITH CONDUCTORS

Vice-President E. P. Curtis of Texas O. R. C. is in The City.

Mr. E. P. Curtis, vice-president of the Order of Railway Conductors of Texas, who has been in the city for the past several days, met with the conductors in this city yesterday afternoon in the Masonic Temple. It is understood that this meeting was of no special importance, and was merely an informal gathering. Mr. Curtis will remain in the city until the return of Mr. S. J. Brooks, chairman of the adjustment committee of the A. C. L. conductors, who is in Richmond, Va.

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BETTER CONDITIONS IN FERTILIZER INDUSTRY

Local Companies Expecting Considerably Improved Demand.

Acid Phosphate Now Being Manufactured on Large Scale—Sulphric Acid Costly Owing to Use in Making War Munitions.

The high prices paid for cotton and other agricultural products has improved the outlook for the fertilizer industry to a large degree and Wilmington manufacturers are looking forward to one of the best years they have yet had. Practically all of the dozen plants located in the vicinity of Wilmington are now busy preparing for a big business early in the coming year. The improved outlook is all the more welcome because of the depressing and unprofitable period of two years, due largely to the European war.

While there will be an advance in the price of fertilizer on account of the great increase in the price of fertilizer materials, cotton and tobacco have sold for such good prices during the past fall, that the farmers will not mind paying more for next year's crops. The increased prices for agricultural products has also had the effect of making a large increase in bank accounts of farmers.

Sulphric acid, a by-product of phosphate, is high because the munition plants are using such large quantities in the manufacture of munitions. Sulphate of ammonia, cotton seed meal, nitrate of soda and potashes have advanced also. Before the European war practically all the kainit and a large part of the potashes came from Germany. This source of supply has been cut off very effectually and now the greater part of the potashes come from Nebraska. Brown tobacco stems and kelp, which is made of a seaweed gathered on the Pacific coast, and a certain residue from molasses made in Louisiana are also used as materials. Local manufacturers differ in opinion as to the quality of this substitute for potash, but those who have studied the question thoroughly agree that it will stand the test. Experience for the past two years seems to indicate that these "non-potash" fertilizers will produce very beneficial results.

One of the important factors that must be considered this year is the car shortage. This will no doubt result in an early movement of fertilizers and local concerns are already preparing to meet this emergency. Farmers and dealers will have to bear this in mind and place their orders early. President Harry Hodgson, of the Southern Fertilizer Association, in a recent communication to the Atlanta Constitution, submitted the following pertinent facts relaive to the siuation:

"The war conditions are causing tremendous increase in the freight movement and extraordinary freight congestion due to car shortage.

"The movement of fertilizers to the farmers is every year congested during the month of March and it is reasonable to expect that with the unusual movement of other business next spring there will be more congestion than ever before.

"I think the farmers and fertilizer dealers of the entire South should be warned at this time of the unprecedented and unusual freight congestion that is before us so that the fertilizer movement will be started much earlier than usual this season.

"Cotton at 20 cents a pound at present and next fall deliveries quote dat nearly 19 cents for October, makes certain that more fertilizers will be used if it can be had because of the greater profit in prospect from its use.

"With two unusually short cotton crops this season and last season, it is reasonable to expect that even an unusually large crop next year would bring a high price as the world demand for the staple is continually growing.

"We want a big cotton crop next year and a big grain crop as well. There should be profits in both and only through largely increased crops can we hope to reduce the cost of living which is risin gto alarming proportions. Southern farmers should, and no doubt will, analyze the fertilizer situation wisely and get their supplies in hand in advance of the usual time. This cannot be urged too strongly by the newspapers in view of the facts now existing in the car supply.

"The car surplus in the United States January 1, 1916, was 46,955. Car surplus in the United States February 1, 1916, 21,485. On March 1, 1916, the surplus was changed to a car shortage of 20,551 cars.

"The car situation next January, February and March promises to be much worse than last, as evidenced by the present condition:

Car shortage in the United States September 1, 1916	19,373
Car shortage in the United States October 1, 1916	60,697
Car shortage in the United States November 1, 1916	108,010

BRAVES AND YANKEES MAY STAGE GAME IN WILMINGTON

Plans of Business Manager Indicates That Big Leaguers Will Stop Here

According to reports from New York, it is practically certain that the New York Yankees, of the American League, and the Boston Braves, of the National League, will play an exhibition game in Wilmington on their Southern training trip next spring, if the local fans will put up a guarantee.

The Braves and Yankees have hit on a new plan that provides instead of the usual practice games with local teams that the two squads return North together, and play exhibition games with each other in the various cities and towns along the route. This will insure the players of stacking up against real big League timber before the season actually starts and will afford the people of the cities along their route an opportunity of seeing real majors perform.

Among the cities that will probably secure games between these two teams will be Rocky Mount, Wilmington, Southern Pines, Columbia, S. C., Florence, S. C., Wayeross, Ga., Moultrie, Ga., and Dothan, Ala.

—Mr. B. A. Turner, formerly with the Hotel Langren at Asheville, has been appointed steward at the Hotel Wilmington to succeed Mr. W. L. West who becomes manager of the Imperial Hotel.

THEY MAY AIR GRIEVANCES

City Council Issues "Official" Notice to All Persons Concerned to Come Forward Today.

An "official" notice has been issued by City Council to all persons interested to come forward this morning and state any grievance they may have against any city employe. In order that there may be ample time given for this investigation, a special meeting of the City Fathers will be held this morning at 10 o'clock.

While the meeting was called as a direct result of certain rumors relative to alleged irregularities in the conduct of the street department, its scope is not restricted to this. The councilmen have expressed themselves as ready and willing to investigate any grievance that anybody has to make and it is indicated in the "official" notice that other grievances will be gladly heard, provided anybody desires to bring them up.

The particular allegation that precipitated the investigation today was the rumor to the effect that Mr. John J. Furlong, superintendent of streets, has signed a pay roll for two men, receiving the sum of $21, and that they were not working for the city. No charges were made to this effect but Council thought enough of the rumor to have a special meeting about two weeks ago, which was not public, when the matter was discussed. This and other matters were taken up at that time. Mr. Furlong denied very positively that there had been anything irregular and produced witnesses to substantiate his statements.

The "official" notice states that the special meeting this morning is for the purpose of inquiring into and investigating any irregularities or misconduct on the part of any city employes. All persons having any knowledge of any negligence or incompetency or misuse of property or misconduct of any kind on the part of any official or other employe are urged in the notice to appear this morning before Council and furnish such information as they may have.

The notice furthermore requests all persons knowing others who may have information to furnish the mayor with name or names "to the end that such investigation may be full and comprehensive."

BOYCOTT ON EATABLES IS PROVING TO BE EFFECTIVE

Eggs and Butter in Wilmington Show Tendency to Drop in Price

That the boycott instituted by the Housewives' League and endorsed by Sorosis and other women's organizations in Wilmington is having the effect of decreasing the price on eggs, butter and cheese is the belief of Mrs. G. H. Croom, president of the League. Eggs were selling Saturday for from 35 to 37 1-2 cents as against 45 cents a week ago while cheese was being quoted at 31 cents as against 35 cents a few days ago. Butter was still selling for 45 cents but the housewives feel that the boycott has really resulted in keeping it from going to 50 cents.

When the boycott was instituted, no price was fixed beyond which the woman promised not to buy. The boycott was instituted with the desire to co-operate in bringing the price of these foodstuffs down to a reasonable figure and to prevent the prices from being boosted by speculators.

It is realized that these food supplies will under normal conditions sell for a greater price than usual because of the increased demand on account of the nearness of Christmas. The law of supply and demand would naturally cause an increase and it is not the purpose of the housewives to undertake to change this but simply to see that speculative prices do not obtain.

The following recipe for a spice cake which can be made without the use of butter or eggs is recommended by the Housewive's League: Use one large spoonful of shortening other than butter, one pound of brown sugar, one pound of raisins, two cups of water, two teaspoonfuls of cinnamon, one-fourth teaspoonful of cloves, one-half teaspoonful of nutmeg, one lemon rind. Put this on the fire and boil for three minutes and when cold add two teaspoonful of soda dissolved in a little hot water and four cups of flour with one teaspoonful of baking powder. Bake this in a moderate oven.

The members of Cape Fear Chapter, U. D. C., as individuals, have joined in the boycott with the Housewive's League as well as the Colonial Dames.

MORE THAN TWO THOUSAND

Twelve Wilmington Churches Report Sunday School Attendance

Twelve Wilmington churches reported a total Sunday school attendance yesterday of 2,334, The Baptists reported the largest attendance, the total for the four churches of this denomination in Wilmington being 908 while the Presbyterians were a close second with a total of 854. These denominations with the exception of the Christian church were the only ones which submitted complete reports.

The interest in Sunday school work is increasing is indicated by the gradual growth in attendance. There is considerable rivalry on the part of several churches, which are nearly equal in membership, to see which can do the most efficient work in this department. The totals for the churches reporting yesterday are:

Babtist.		
First church	421	
Calvary	140	
Delgado	144	
Southside	203	
	908	908
Presbyterian		
Immanuel	253	
First Church	232	
St. Andrew's	192	
Delgado	128	
Pearsall	49	
	854	854
Episcopal.		
Good Shepherd	193	
Ascension	85	
	278	278
St. Paul's Lutheran		229
Dock Street Christian		65
Grand Total		2,334

—Chief of Police C. W. Lewis, of Southport, came to Wilmington yesterday and carried back with him Charlie Jordan, a negro wanted by the Brunswick authorities for an assault on another negro at the fish factory some time ago. Jordan had been arrested by the local officers.

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SANTA CLAUS IS COMING

Throngs of Shoppers and Other Unmistakable Signs Have Made Their Appearance in City

Old Santa's sleigh bells are once more jingling, and the echoes are already beginning to be heard on the streets of Wilmington. With the crowd of shoppers that thronged the business streets Saturday, and hurried along with their arms full of bundles, and their faces lighted with smiles of expectancy, no one not even the most skeptical, can doubt that Christmas is but the matter of a few days.

Another sure sign is the fact that all the comic weeklies have issued their Christmas numbers at a considerably increased price from their ordinary quotations, and have showed that they too, will want a little Christmas coin. All small boys are also wearing their faces unusually clean, and this is considered by experts to be an unmistakable sign.

The appearance of the metal pots on all the principal corners, reminds us that the Salvation army is on the job, and is making efforts to prepare that dinner for the poor on the day or days. On the success of this dinner hangs the Christmas happiness of more than one family in the city.

The stores for the most part will open during the evenings during the next two weeks, so as to give those who will be unable to attend during the day, an opportunity to shop early. All stores in the city are appropriately decorated, and present an attractive appearance.

With the majority of the woman's organizations of the city, placing a ban on eggs, butter, cheese and like commodities, the Christmas dinner this year may lack some of the flavor of former years. Many of the housewives of the city, are planning to experiment with new fangled kind of cakes, and the result of this experiment cannot yet be forecasted.

FUNERAL OF YOUNG BOY

Remains of James A. Wright, Jr., Interred at Oakdale Yesterday.

Funeral services over the remains of James A. Wright, Jr., the 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Wright, of Winter Park, were conducted from the residence of his parents in Winter Park at 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, by Rev. T. P. Noe. The interment was made at Oakdale. The following acted as pall bearers: C. W. Devane, J. W. Costin, Charles Brokenhagen, D. G. Herring.

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(advertisement.)

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Note the prices now in effect.

Ladies' $10.00 Serge Coat Suits, Velour trimmed, at $6.95

Ladies' $15.00 All-Wool Poplin Suits, fur trimmed, at .. $9.95

Ladies' $20.00 Poplin and Gabardine Suits, satin lined...$13.75

Ladies' $25.00 Broadcloth, Gabardine and Poplin Suits, satin lined, plain or Velvet trimmed, at $16.95

$27.50 Broadcloth and Velour Suits, all the latest models, at $18.50

Ladies' $35.00 Broadcloth and Velvet Suits, all the latest models, at $23.50

Ladies' $45.00 Broadcloth and Velour Suits, all the latest models, at $20.95

Ladies' $55.00 Broadcloth and Velour Suits, all the latest models, at $35.00

Ladies' $6.00 and $6.50 Long Coats, plain and mixed colors, at $4.98

Ladies' $10.00 Fancy Plain Coats, all the new wide models at $8.95

Ladies' $12.50 Coats, all colors and sizes, at $10.50

Ladies' $15.00 Coats, all colors and sizes, at $12.50

Ladies' $20.00 Coats, all colors and sizes, at $16.95

Ladies' $25.00 Coats, all colors and sizes, at $21.50

Monday Morning Special

$5.00 Erector Sets. The Boys' Educational Toy.
Special until noon today $4.48

BELK-WILLIAMS COMP'Y

SOCIAL

Miss Eugenia Britt of Ahoskie, spent yesterday in the city. She was a guest of The Orton.

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The Woman's Missionary Society of the Fifth Avenue Methodist church will be held in the lecture room of the church this afternoon at 3:30.

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The Parish Guild of St. John's Episcopal church will have its annual Christmas sale of fancy work at the Parish house tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock.

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The regular monthly meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist church will be held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the lecture room.

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MISS JOSEPHINE M. SHIELDS BRIDE OF MR. C. F. GREGSON

Of interest to a wide circle of friends in Wilmington and elsewhere will be the announcement of the marriage of Mr. C. Franklin Gregson, Jr., who for several years past has been the popular and efficient chief clerk at the Orton hotel in this city. Mr. Gregson and Miss Josephine Merriman Shields were married Thursday evening in Norfolk, Va. The following account of the wedding from the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot will be read with interest:

"A quiet but pretty wedding was solemnized Thursday evening at the parsonage of the Epworth Methodist church in Colonial avenue, when Miss Josephine Merriman Shields, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Shields, of Durham, N. C., and Mr. C. Franklin Gregson, Jr., of Wilmington, N. C., son of Mr. and Mrs. C. Franklin Gregson, of Hamlet, N. C., were married.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. S. T. Senter, pastor of the church, in the presence of only a few relatives and near friends of the bride and bridegroom. The bride was a handsome suit of burgundy cloth with a corsage bouquet of bride's roses and lilies of the valley. The bride's matron of honor and only attendant was her sister, Mrs. Carlton Brinkley, of Norfolk, and Mr. Gregson had as his best man, Mr. Carlton Brinkley. Immediately after the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Gregson left for a wedding trip north and on their return after December 20 will be at home at the Hotel Orton, Wilmington, N. C.

"Among the guests present were: Mrs. Frank H. Cole and Walter F. Delansy, of Richmond."

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Among the North Carolina arrivals at The Orton yesterday were: L. A. Hill, Winston Hill, Gantley Hill, Whiteville; Victor Motz, Fayetteville.

—Among the North Carolina arrivals at the Hotel Wilmington yesterday were: J. B. McGurley, Fort Caswell; T. S. Memory, Whiteville; H. Boney, Rose Hill; W. A. Corbett, Atkinson.

—The many friends of Dr. J. H. Dreher, who was confined to his home the past week on account of an attack of malarial fever, will be glad to know that he is now able to be out again.

STREETS BEING PAVED

Greenville Expending Large Sum in Municipal Improvements.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greenville, N. C., Dec. 10.—Though twenty or more blocks of streets have been finished and turned over to traffic, and more than that number are ready for the finishing coat, the work of street paving seems hardly begun. Work is going on all over the city and sewerage and wtaer mains are being laid, preparatory to paving. Present plans call for about seventy-five or eighty blocks and more will probably be paved before the work is done.

Another hundred thousand dollars will be borrowed and $50,000 will be spent in enlarging the water and light plant. Many new buildings are going up and Greenville is forging ahead at a great pace.

REFUSES TO DISCUSS ACTION OF CARRANA AS TO PROTOCOL

Senor Pani Arrives at the Border and Starts For Washington.

Laredo, Tex., Dec. 11.—Alberto Pani, member of the Joint Mexican-American commission which considered border differences at Atlantic City, arrived here today from Mexico and left for Washington, where he expects to arrive Wednesday afternoon. He declined to discuss the protocol which he carried to General Venustiano Carranza and would neither affirm nor deny that Carranza had signed the document.

Senor Pani said he must observe silence until he reached Washington and conferred with his colleagues on the commission. From private but apparently reliable information, however, it was learned that the protocol has not been signed by General Carranza but that Senor Pani is carrying a reply from General Carranza requesting a few minor changes in phraseology. It was said the document, as a whole, met with Carranza's approval and that with the changes desired having arrangements for his signature would be authorized by telegraph.

Senor Pani and his party of five, including two secretaries, reached Nuevo Laredo shortly after 11 o'clock. They were met by American Consul Alonzo B. Garrett, who accompanied them to the American side in automobiles.

WIL LURGE WAGE INCREASES FOR GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Labor Federation Plans Organized Effort Before Congress.

Washington, Dec. 10.—An organized effort directed by the American Federation of Labor to induce Congress to grant wage and salary increases to all employees of the United States government from President down to the humblest laborer was planned at a meeting here today presided over by Samuel Gompers, president of the Federation.

Resolutions were adopted setting forth that government salaries have not kept pace with the cost of necessities of life and directing that Congress be petitioned to grant increases ranging from 10 to 33 1-3 per cent to government employees whether in or out of the civil service.

Mr. Gompers was authorized to appoint committees to urge the cause before Congress. The resolutions agreed to include a scal eof increases which will be embodied in the plan to be pressed.

SEVEN NEGRO PRISONERS MAKE ESCAPE FROM JAIL

Jailer Overpowered and Bound—Eighth Negro Reports to Police.

Richmond, Va., Dec. 10.—Overpowering Jailer Hechler, who was making his early night round, and binding him up with stount cords, seven negro prisoners, some of them desperate characters, tonight escaped from the Henrico county jail. An eighth negro serving a term of 18 months, followed them out and after notifying the city police of the delivery returned to the jail. He said that he ran from the jail, but was afraid to call for help because the escaping convicts had taken two revolvers from the sheriff's office as they ran from the prison.

Policemen found the jailer bound hand and foot and suffering from an ugly scalp wound. A police drag-net was immediately spread for the escaped negroes.

TO FIGHT EXTRADITION

Thomas C. McCoy Is to eB Given Preliminary Hearing Today.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 10.—Thomas C. McCoy, originally from Asheville, N. C., who is charged with conspiracy to defraud the government of revenue from whiskey distilled in Fort Smith, Ark., will be given a preliminary hearing here tomorrow before the United States commissioner. McCoy is under a $3,000 bond for his appearance here. The defendant, it is said, will fight extradition to Fort Smith.

FUNERAL OF MRS. ALLEN.

Services Over Remains of Aged Woman Conducted Yesterday Morning.

Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Mary M. Allen, who died at the residence of her niece, Mrs. R. B. Moore, No. 923 South Sixth street, early Friday morning, by Rev. Dr. John Jeter Hurt, pastor of the First Baptist church. The interment was made at Bellevue.

The following acted as pall bearers: Mrs. N. M. McEachern, J. F. Littleton, John Thomas, J. L. Anderson and J. S. Canady and Dr. A. M. Baldwin. The many floral tributes received attested in a measure to the esteem in which she was held in the community.

STEAMER CALEDONIA TRIED TO RAM GERMAN SUBMARINE

Berlin Announces Sinking of the Vessel on December 4.

Berlin, Dec. 10, (via London).—The British steamer Caledonia was sunk by a German submarine on December 4 after she had tried to ram the undersea boat it was officially announced today. Her captain was taken prisoner. The official statement reads:

"The British passenger ship Caledonia attempted on December 4 to ram a German submarine. The submarine, which was slightly damaged, fired a torpedo which sank the steamer. The commander of the steamer, Captain Blaikie, was made prisoner."

London, Dec. 10.—The German announcement that the British steamer Caledonia attempted to ram a submarine and that Captain Blaikie was made prisoner may furnish an opportunity to test the temper of the new government.

CHICAGO CHIEF SAYS HE WILL NOT QUIT UNDER FIRE

Announces That He Will Resign Only When Forced to Do So.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—Chief of Police Charles G. Healey made known today that he would not resign voluntarily despite the announcement last night by Mayor Thompson that he expected the chief's resignation within a few days.

"I do not intend to quit under fire." Chief Healey said. "I shall retire only in a way that will be respecting to my office and to my service in the department. Thus far, the mayor has not asked me to resign. If he asks me officially, I will do so."

Chief Healey is under indictment following an investigation of vice conditions.

MEN IN NAVY BEING FED CHEAPER THAN BEFORE WAR

Daily Cost for Rations Per Man Half Cent Less Than In 1913-1914

Washington, Dec. 10.—Despite enormous increases in the price of provisions, Paymaster General McGowan's annual report today shows that the cost of substance in the navy during the past two years has been lower than it was before the European war. In 1915 and 1916, the report says, various economics were effected, resulting in a saving of $800,000. The daily cost of rations per man was half a cent lower than for the 1913-1914 period when it was a fraction over 36 cents.

STRIKE OF 60,000 CLOTHING WORKERS IS TO BE CALLED

Raise of $2 a Week and Eight Hour Day is Demanded

New York, Dec. 10.—Officials of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America announced tonight that a strike of 60,000 makers of men's and children's clothing in this city, Newark and Ridgewood, N. J., will be called Tuesday or Wednesday. It is planned to carry the strike to Philadelphia if manufacturers there attempt to make clothing for New ork ships affects by the strike. The workers demand an increase of $2 a week and an eight hour day.

Gen. Von Mackensen Captor of Bucharest

In the opinion of military men the Teutonic campaign in Rumania in which Mackensen and Falkenhayn succeeded in crushing all opposition is fit to rank in strategy and general effectiveness with the best efforts of Napoleon. The main factor which brought about the over-running of Rumania was the remarkable speed with which the Germanic armies traveled as they covered more than 20 miles per day. Positions which were regarded as exceedingly strong were taken in a few hours such as those on the rivers Alt and Argescu.

FIELD MARSHAL PRINCE IWAO OYAMA OF JAPAN, DEAD

Was Commander-In-Chief of Manchurian Army in Russo-Japanese War

Tokio, Dec. 10.—Field Marshal Prince Iwao Oyama, commander-in-chief of the Manchurian army of Japan during the Russo-Japanese war, is dead.

Field Marshal Prince Oyama shared with Field Marshal Prince Yamagata another distinguished member of the "Genro" body, the highest military and civil honors in the gift of the emperor. Both were field marshals, both were princes and both were military councillors. Prince Oyama was 74 years of age at the time of his death. He was a cousin of the famous Saigo Takamoria, who headed the Satsuma rebellion in 1877-8.

Oyama was one of the earliest students of foreign military methods, having been dispatched to Europe by the government at the time of the Franco-Prussian war, when he attached himself to the Prussian forces, remaining at his post until the conclusion of the siege of Paris. After his return the Satuma rebellion broke out (1877) and Oyama commanded a brigade of the imperial forces despatched against his cousin. Oyama applied his western skill and experience to the undering of his rebellious cousin and returned in triumph to Tokio. In 1880 he was given a portfolio as minister of war. In 1894 when the war with China broke out he went to Manchuria in command of the second army, which captured Port Arthur and Wei-Hai-Wei. His record took the form of a succession of triumphs, and at the close of the struggle he was promoted to the rank of marquis.

SHOES AT $20 PER PAIR IS THE PRESENT OUTLOOK

Manufacturers Say Leather Embargo or End of War Only Relief

Lynn, Mass., Dec. 10.—At a conference of shoe manufacturers and retailers here called to demand a Congressional inquiry of the shortage and high cost of leather, it was announced that leather had advanced 15 cents a foot since a week ago today.

Similar advances within the next few weeks would compel retailers to charge $20 a pair for shoes now selling at half that price, it was stated.

In resolutions to be sent to Washington it will be stated that five years ago most of the shoes made in New England were retailed at $3 to $5 a pair for medium grades for men and from $6 to $10 a pair for women. Roughly speaking, prices of shoes have doubled during the last five years, the sharpest advances being since the war.

With an embargo placed on leather exports, those at the conference today declared prices would return to normal.

Manufacturers must soon run on half time, says a statement by Albert M. Creighton, President of the Lynn Shoe Manufacturers' Association.

It Isn't the Getting Up

It's the *dressing* in a room like an ice-box that sets your teeth on edge.

Your dressing room would be as warm as toast every morning if you had a Perfection Smokeless Oil Heater. It starts thawing out the chills the minute you strike a match—and you can carry it wherever you need heat—bathroom, breakfast room, or pantry.

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Even when a gentle Southern woman goes into business she does it gracefully by selecting a pretty spot and not a cubicle in a skyscraper for her office. "Say what they will about science and system as a solution of the servant problem, the great secret still lies with the attitude of the misterss toward her maid," said Ane Rankin, editor of the Southern Woman's Magazine, a publication which is accomplished much toward knitting together the interests of the women south of the Mason and Dixon line. "When the time comes," she continued, "that servants are no longer subordinates, they will not be good as servants, no matter how scientific they may be."

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BISHOP'S ANNUAL SERMON IS HEARD

(Continued From Page One).

was a high order of things in all the culmination of life and this was the original purpose of God. He tried to make the disciples take the idea of a risen Lord.

"Ascend means a going up out of visible tangible, to eternal and spiritual. He was transmitted without separation except as spell to demonstrate to man in fleshly form, the spirit forces over material, subjecting earth forever to higher things.

Our is no gospel of form. No system of morals conducts righteousness, produces holiness, produces faith, only faith in Him who came to this world to give life eternal. Not a temporal type, he made our gospel indestructive. Our religion is the only religion with resuscitating revival power. When science dies it is too dead to be buried, when philosophy dies it is gone, when civilization dies it is gone, seat of capital, rest of power gone. Other religions die and are dead. The religion of Egypt is dead, religion of Greeks gone. Even Jupiter, their god of lightning, can only be found today in electric lights, street cars and other forms."

CRAIG HONORS REQUISITION

Prisoner Held in Charlotte Will Be Returned to Virginia

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 10.—A requisition from the Governor of Virginia was honored today by Governor Craig for Willie Oxner, who is wanted in Roanoke, Va., to answer the charge of burglary. He is now being held for the Virginia authorities at Charlotte, according to information here.

The Farmers' and Merchants' Bank, of Wendell, Wake county, received a charter today with $50,000 capital authorized and $10,000 subscribed, the incorporators including M. A. Griffin, a former member of the legislature, and others. The corporation will do a general banking and savings business.

LECTURE AT VICTORIA

Rev. S. Winchester Addressed Small Crowd Yesterday Afternoon

Rev. S. Winchester, lecturer on moral vices and social evils, lectured to a small crowd at the Victoria theatre yesterday afternoon. Mr. Winchester quoted numerous instances from real life during the course of his lecture, and seemed to have a broad grasp of his subject.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

CLEWS' BUSINESS REVIEW

Monetary Conditions Continue to Rule Wall Street—President's Address —Foreign Situation

(Special Star Correspondence)

New York, Dec. 10.—For some weeks past this market has been ruled by monetary conditions. Owing to the tremendous drain upon our banking resources the supply of loanable funds had been materially curtailed. Since January 1 foreign loans have been issued in the United States to the extent of nearly $1,400,000,000, while the new capital applications reported by domestic railroad and industrial corporations aggregated $2,070,000,000 a total of $3,450,000,000, or about $850,000,000 more than in the first eleven months of 1915. These figures cover only the principal States, and do not include the loans put out by municipalities or States, nor the innumerable issues by smaller concerns, of which it is impossible to keep close track, nor the millions of repurchased foreign holdings of Americans. In addition to these demands upon our supply of capital, there has been the enormous drain upon banking resources arising from the extraordinary activity of trade and the high prices of commodities. The consequence of these demands is now being felt in a diminished supply of loanable funds and the resultant possibility of too large an expansion of credit. It was these conditions that doubtless induced the Federal Reserve Board to issue a notice of caution against a too free absorption by banks of foreign loans and notes; and the situation was further aggravated by the low condition of bank reserves at New York, the total surplus reserve of the New York Clearing House banks a week ago being only $41,000,000, or $138,000,000 less than a year ago. This decline was partly due to the absorption of gold by the Federal Reserve banks in various parts of the country, these institutions holding $598,000,000 of the precious metal December 1, an increase in twelve months of over $100,000,000. The Clearing House banks held $326,000,000 in specie, an increase of $63,000,000 compared with a year ago; while loans stood at $3,370,000,000 or $230,000,000 more than last year at the same date. The wisdom of preventing a too rapid adsorption of foreign obligations is therefore questioned; although, on the other hand, there was no indication of excess in this direction as yet, especially as the security was prime and the placing of British Treasury notes would have proved a protection of our own gold supply in event of smaller exports and larger imports making it possible for Europe to recall our gold later on. If caution were needed anywhere, it was in the floating of a number of industrials of a questionable character, especially those based upon present abnormal profits which cannot be permanently sustained. Eventually losses from such ventures will far exceed those upon best Government issues; some of which will later on provide good profits at present prices. Another complication in the monetary situation was the necessity of the British Government maintaining sterling exchange. Great Britain is particularly interested in preventing dear money at New York, and to aid in this direction another considerable amount of gold has been engaged for this market, of which over $35,000,000 has already arrived from Canada. During the latter portion of the week the money market showed an easier tendency owing to gold imports and a partial return of funds from the interior.

Congress opened on Monday and the President's message proved decidedly reassuring. His appeal for justice to the railroads will receive the approval of all fair-minded people. His declared resistance to the demands of a small body or organized labor who would paralyze the whole railroad system of the country to secure their wants was also in the line of safe and sane policy. His recommendation of an enlargement of the Interstate Commerce Commission was wise and necessary. The compulsory investigation of railway labor strikes, which has worked well in Canada, is also a step in the right direction. So, too was his support of the Webb Bill, designed to facilitate American exports. Happily the President avoided any recommendation regarding the high cost of living, which is a problem Congress intends to investigate, although legislation can do little toward solving what is really a worldwide economic problem. Dear food, clothing and shelter are almost entirely due to the war. Supplies have decreased; waste has increased. There is no cure for such conditions except increased production and economy, which results will naturally follow high prices quicker than any artificial regulation or legislation.

Speculation may in some instances have aggravated the situation, but in other cases it affords relief by carrying over the surplus of one period to meet the famine of another. Extremes of speculation or holdup of supplies should be restrained, but an actual suppression of speculation, whether for the rise or the fall, would result in more harm than good. There is no more efficient stabilizer of values than reasonable and intelligent speculation.

The increased cost of living is already becoming a subject of serious agitation, and public investigations are to be anticipated. The great danger is that Congress may be stampeded into some sort of rash legislation. All sorts of nostrums will be proposed and pushed hard. The present drift is toward more and more Government interference, thus increasing such dangers. Wage advances are numerous, and will do much to alleviate the situation; but more or less unrest must be endured until the nation has adjusted itself to the high level of prices, which is worldwide as a result of the war and likely to be more or less permanent. Some reaction is to be expected when peace comes; but scarcity of materials and labor coupled with advancing wages will prevent any material fall in commodities for a long period; and the corrective can only come through natural processes of increased production and decreased consumption. All the great Powers now at war have made prodigious efforts at keeping down prices, only to fail; and their efforts to enforce economy have not been half as effectual in this direction as advancing prices. Both Great Britain and Germany have strenuously endeavored to regulate supplies and prices, with more success and intelligence than other nations; yet neither has attained any real measure of success.

Germany's campaign in Roumania is a matter of much military importance, because, if successful, it will provide Germany with vast supplies of grain, meat and oil. Roumania is a great agricultural country, ranking third as a grain producer in the world. That the war is not progressing rapidly enough is evidenced by the present friction in high political circles in Great Britain. Hence, in order to secure a more vigorous prosecution of the war, she has made Lloyd-George Premier in place of Mr. Asquith. Through all the darkness and confusion hanging over Europe, there is still no gleam as yet of peace; for, while Germany seems prepared to consider terms, the Allies display a determination to push the war to more favorable conclusions.

Operations on the stock market have been on a diminished scale, due of course to the restrictions of the money market. Aside from this factor, there has been no real change in the financial situation. Within the last two or three weeks there has been very considerable liquidation and the decline has reached greater proportions than anticipated. The technical position of the market has been strengthened somewhat by these developments, but no pronounced improvement can be looked for until the monetary situation is clarified. Many of our industrial and financial concerns are making exceedingly satisfactory reports; so, too, are the principal railroad corporations. A few are making amazing profits, only a portion of which are likely at present to go to stockholders. The increased cost of doing business is generally recognized also the tendency of advancing wages. Managers are generally pursuing a policy of strengthening their concerns to meet possible contingencies arising out of the present crisis, and it is usually conceded that profits have about reached their zenith and probably will not be duplicated in 1917. There is an excellent investment demand for all desirable issues which promises to be augmented by liberal January disbursements. Many new offerings are being made, not a few of which are exceedingly attractive, but intending purchasers should be on guard against questionable promotions which present conditions encourage. When the current liquidation has run its course, renewed speculative activity and a better market may be expected, provided the monetary situation improves and no untoward developments occur in foreign or domestic politics. The possibilities of difficulty with either Germany or Mexico are still with us and should not be forgotten.

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WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Dec. 9 by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 10.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—48¾.

ROSIN—$5.70 and $5.45.

TAR—$2.60-10½c.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$4.00, $4.00 and $3.60.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 53c; rosin $5.45 and $5.35; tar $2.30-9 1-2c; crude turpentine, $3.75, $3.75, $2.75.

RECEIPTS:

Spirits Turpentine	8
Rosin	40
Tar	49
Crude Turpentine	7

Receipts same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 8 barrels; rosin, 12 barrels; tar, 82 barrels; crude turpentine, 19 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—18 1-4c; quotation same day last year, 11⅝.

Receipts—104 bales; same day last year 606 bales.

Total receipts since August 1 to date, 69,721 bales.

Total receipts to same date last year, 130,878 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 10.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, new, 50c to 55c. bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$1.40 to $1.50 per bu.

CORN—$2.10 per sack.

BEEF—Native dressed, 9c. to 10c.

PORK—Small, 10c. to 12c. per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 20 to 22½; first class wool, 28 to 35; highest grade, washed wool, 38c.

SHEEP—Old, good quality, gross, 3 1-2 to 3c pound. Lambs, best quality, 6 to 7c pound.

HIDES—Green salt, 15c. to 16c.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 23 to 25c.; sides and shoulders, 18c. to 19c. per lb.; good demand.

BEESWAX — Firm, 28c. per pound, good demand.

POULTRY—Turkeys, 20c. to 22½c. on foot; dressed, 25c. to 27½c. lb.; chickens, grown, 45c to 50c; spring, 20c to 25c head.

EGGS—35c. to 36c. dozen.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 10.—North Carolina peanuts; new crop, farmers stock, fancy handpicked, $1.07; No. 1, machine, $1.00 per bushel.

Virginia peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, Jumbos, 66c; fancy handpicked, 60c; No. 1 machine picked, 55c.

Spanish peanuts, farmers' stock, new crop, No. 1, small, machine picked, $1.25; Jumbos, $1.20 per bushel.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co., Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 10.—Spanish—Farmers' stock: Market, steady. New stock, $1.35 per bu.

Virginias — Farmers' stock: Market firm.

New stock—Fancy Jumbo, 4 1-4c per lb.; Extra Prime, 3 3-4c per lb; Prime, 3 1-2c per lb; Shelling stock, 3c to 3 1-4c per lb.

Dan'l Green Felt Slippers, all colors. Wilmington Shoe Co.
(advertisement.)

REVIEW OF STOCK MARKET

Quoted Values Influenced by Numerous Developments—Metal Shares Depressed—Cheaper Rails Gain.

New York, Dec. 10.—Quoted values were perceptibly influenced during the irregular week in the stock market by numerous important developments such as the 15 per cent. call money rate, higher commodity prices and political and military events across the water.

Significance also attached to the attitude of the British government respecting further exports of copper and the possible effect of this regulation upon the country's general export trade. Metal shares suffered sharp depression in the week's later dealings, which witnessed many price readjustments in other quarters of the stock list. High money proved to be of brief duration, being almost immediately alleviated by the additional heavy imports of British gold from Canada. This same movement also served to stabilize sterling exchange but other foreign remittances, especially the rates of the Teutonic countries and Russia and Italy were heavy to weak.

In the stock market the most interesting movement centered around the cheaper rails, chiefly roads traversing western and southwestern territories and gains in these issues, ranging from 2 to over 5 points, were well sustained.

General industrial conditions lost none of their long continued buoyancy. The average of prices for manufactured steel and iron touched a new high level and the pressure of demand was strikingly illustrated in the November statement of the United States Steel Corporation which disclosed an increase of over a million tons in unfilled orders, bringing the total up to a new record.

Railroad earnings were again disappointing in that increased amounts are going into operating expenses, but gross returnings on leading systems at test unabated tonnage. Executives of leading transportation companies are almost unanimous in their approval of the recommendations outlined in the President's message to Congress.

International financing of the week included the purchase of a large block of foreign oil securities for offering in this market.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

Market Experienced Extreme Weakness Friday and Saturday

New Orleans, Dec. 10.—Wide and violent breaks featured the local cotton market last week. It was a fairly quiet and steady market up to Friday, but during the last two sessions extreme weakness was displayed under heavy short selling and general liquidation. Under the pressure July on Friday made another loss of 113 points, one of the most violent slumps in recent years. On Saturday the market went to new low levels for the downward swing, standing at a net loss for the week of 142 to 174 points. At the lowest the old crop months were 145 to 268 points under the highest prices of the season, made early in the previous week. This meant a loss of over $13 a bale on the weakest months. The close for the week was at anet loss of 126 to 136 points.

Disturbing political news, higher money rates, a lessened demand, actual cotton from spinners and the large ginning returns to the end of November were the main influences which inspired the selling. In the early part of this week the main event will be the annual crop estimate by the Department of Agriculture tomorrow. This is expected to show not less than 11,000,000 bales nor more than 11,500,000 b ythe more conservative element in the market. The trade next will turn its attention to the spot situation. Week end market circulars generally declared the situation hinged on the attitude of spot holders in the South.

Willingness to sell on their part would encourage further selling of contracts, while firmness would work toward higher levels.

PROF. BOYD ON PROGRAMME.

Trinity Man to Speak Before Historical Meeting at Cincinnati.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Trinity College, N. C., Dec. 10.— The programme of the 32nd annual meeting of the American Historical Association, which will be held in Cincinnati December 27-30, contains the name of Prof. William K. Boyd, of the department of history, who will speak on the subject, "Method of the Elementary Course in College History." Dr. Boyd is a member of the general committee of the association and Prof. William T. Paprade, also of the department of history, is a member of the committee in biblography of the organization.

Prof. William H. Wannamaker, of the department of German, spoke before a meeting of the representatives of the boys' corn and pig clubs and of the girls' canning clubs, of Durham county, yesterday at 11 o'clock at the Chamber of Commerce rooms.

Profs. Frank C. Brown, of the department of English; William H. Wannaker, of the Department of German, and William T. Paprade, of the department of history, spent Tuesday in Raleigh attending the sessions of the annual meeting of the North Carolina Literary and Historical Association and of the North Carolina Folk-Lore Society. They also had places on the programme of these organizations.

The faculty of the college gave a reception yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock to the delegates and visitors to the annual session of the North Carolina Conference, which is being held in Memorial church, and nearly 400 people paid a visit to the college, enjoying refreshments, and made a tour of inspection through many of the college buildings.

ROBESON SHOOTING AFFAIR

Isham Lytch Fires Bullet Into Tobe Oliver—Former Arrested.

(Special Star Telegram).

Lumberton, N. C., Dec. 10.—Isham Lytch shot Tobe Oliver at Wakulla, in upper Robeson, last night. While Oliver's wounds are not considered necessarily fatal, complications might arise which might prove fatal. The men while drinking are said to have been gambling and Lytch, having a grudge of long standing aainst Oliver, found excuse for shotting. Officers Smith and Bowen arrested Lytch and Sheriff Lewis went and brought him to jail today.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

December 11, 1916.

Meteorological data for the day ending at 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 66 degrees; at 8 P. M., 44 degrees; maximum, 50 degrees; minimum, 33 degrees; mean, 42 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, .00 inch.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M. yesterday, 2.6 feet.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina: Fair slightly warmer, Monday; rain at night or Tuesday. Colder Tuesday west portion.

The Port Calendar, Dec. 11, 1916.

Sun rises .....7:08 A. M.
Sun sets .....5:03 P. M.
Day's length .....9 hrs. 55 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	10:55	11:04	5:52	6:30
Southport	9:03	9:08	2:42	2:24
Masonboro Inlet	8:52	8:57	2:22	2:04

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS

December 9, 1916.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 P.M.
Abilene	clear	52	—	0
Asheville	cldy	48	20	0
Augusta	cldy	54	34	0
Baltimore	clear	4	—	0
B'm'gham	pt. cldy	56	26	0
Boston	clear	40	—	0
Charleston	clear	56	38	0
Charlotte	clear	48	28	0
Chicago	pt. cldy	34	—	0
Galveston	cludy	64	44	0
Jack'nville	pt cldy	64	42	0
Memphis	cldy	64	42	0
Mobile	cldy	56	32	0
M'tg'm'y	pt. cldy	56	28	0
N. Orleans	pt cldy	58	40	0
New York	clear	40	—	0
Oklahoma	clear	50	—	0
Palestine	clear	56	34	0
Pittsburg	clear	36	—	0
Raleigh	clear	48	28	0
Savannah	cloudy	58	40	0
Shreveport	—	—	—	—
St. Louis	cldy	38	—	0
Washington	clear	44	—	0

GAS LIGHT STARTS FIRE

Blaze in Raleigh Tailoring Establishment Threatens Building

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 10.—A gas light left burning started a blaze in the work room of the womans tailoring establishment of A. Snyder & Co. on Fayetteville street this afternoon and for a time threatened the destruction of the Home Building. Furnishings and facings of the room were ruined and the front of the building considerably defaced before the fire was extinguished.

The fire was kept out of the stock room so that the actual damage by the fire was small.

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No. 51 5:30 A. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50 12:20 A. M. Daily.
No. 64 5:15 A. M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.	Jacksonville, New Bern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65 6:15 P. M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.
No. 48 8:00 A. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Parlor cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains having Pullman service.**	No. 49 6:05 P. M. Daily.
No. 53 8:45 A. M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52 8:00 P. M. Daily.
No. 62 3:05 P. M. Daily.	Jacksonville, New Bern and intermediate stations.	No. 63 12:30 P. M. Daily.
No. 55 3:45 P. M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington, Augusta and Atlanta. **Sleeping cars daily between Florence and Columbia,** which may be occupied at Columbia until 7:00 A. M.	No. 54 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59 6:30 P. M. Tuesday, Thursday and Sat. only.	Fayetteville and intermediate stations.	No. 60 10:15 A. M. Tuesday, Thursday and Sat. only.
No. 42 6:45 P. M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York Trains, carrying dining cars; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A. M. Daily.

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SUBURBAN SCHEDULE

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4 1916.

WINTER PARK, WRIGHTSVILLE, WRIGHTSVILLE BEACH

WEEK DAYS

EASTBOUND: Leave "Electric Centre" for Winter Park	Leave "Electric Centre" for Wrightsville	Leave "Electric Centre" for Beach	WESTBOUND: Leave Beach for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington
6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	6:30 A.M.	.....	6:15 A.M.	6:26 A.M.
6:50 A.M.	6:50 A.M.	.....	.....	7:20 A.M.	7:31 A.M.
8:00 A.M.	8:00 A.M.	.....	7:40 A.M.	7:50 A.M.	8:01 A.M.
8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	8:30 A.M.	.....	8:30 A.M.	8:41 A.M.
10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	10:00 A.M.	9:15 A.M.	9:25 A.M.	9:36 A.M.
11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	11:30 A.M.	10:45 A.M.	10:55 A.M.	11:06 A.M.
1:10 P.M.	1:10 P.M.	*1:10 P.M.	12:15 P.M.	12:25 P.M.	12:36 P.M.
1:55 P.M.	1:55 P.M.	.....	11:45 P.M.	1:80 P.M.	2:01 P.M.
2:30 P.M.	2:30 P.M.	.....	.....	2:25 P.M.	2:36 P.M.
3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	3:00 P.M.	.....	3:00 P.M.	3:11 P.M.
3:30 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	3:50 P.M.
4:10 P.M.	.....	.....	3:45 P.M.	3:55 P.M.	4:06 P.M.
4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	4:30 P.M.	.....	.....	4:30 P.M.
4:50 P.M.	.....	.....	.....	.....	5:10 P.M.
5:30 P.M.	5:30 P.M.	.....	5:15 P.M.	5:25 P.M.	5:36 P.M.
6:10 P.M.	6:10 P.M.	.....	.....	6:00 P.M.	6:11 P.M.
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7:15 P.M.	7:15 P.M.	.....	7:15 P.M.	7:20 P.M.	7:31 P.M.
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CRITICAL MOMENT IN GREEK SITUATION IS NOW BELIEVED NEAR

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the past week of nearly 30,000 men in prisoners besides immense quantities of cannon, machine guns, materal and supplies.

The Great Russian offensive of the north, pressed in force and at a cost of great sacrifices in an effort to save portions of the northern Rumanian army, is declared to nave been altogether in vain.

RUMANIAN DISASTER MORE KEENLY FELT IN RUSSIA

Petrograd, Dec 10, (via London).—The Rumanian disaster is more keenly felt by Russia than the other allies. The latest reports say that the Rumanians are devoting increased energy to the task of delaying by rear guard actions the rpadi advance of the enemy forces over the flat country which provides few opportunities for a successful defense.

The idea of defending the line of the Jalomitx river about 30 miles east of Bucharest, apparently has been abandoned on account of the unexpectedly rapid development of General von Falkenhayn's operations north and east of Bucharest which has made this line untenable.

Most of the Russian military experts consider that with the fall of Wallachia the aim of the Germans has been accomplished and that there is no possibity of their following up their success by an advance in Moldavia where the Rumanians can be reinforced by Russian troops capable of a strong defense.

SIXTEEN AMMUNITION SHIPS OF RUSSIANS HAVE BEEN SUNK

Berlin, Dec. 10,)via Sayville).—According to reports from Stockholm, says the Overseas News Agency today, German submarines in the Arctic have during the last few weeks sunk 16 ammunition steamers bound for Russia.

FURTHER CONCESSIONS TO THE ALLIES BY GREECE ?

London, Dec. 10.—Reuter's Athens correspondent, telegraphing Sunday at 2 o'clock, says:

"According to Greek statements a friendly spirit prevailed at the audience King Constantine gave the British and Russian ministers yesterday. The king, as a sign that he entertains no hostile intentions, offered to withdraw two regiments from Thessaly and entrust the guarding of the Corinth canal and the Chalcis bridge to French torpedo boat destroyers.

"When the Greek government announces that the situation has improved, the diplomatic body is reserved."

GREECE HAS ADOPTED NEW POLICY AS TO NEUTRALITY

London, Dec. 11.—Special dispatches from Rotterdam quote the Frankfurter Zeitung's Budapest correspondent as saying that Greece has notified the Central Powers and Entente Allies that she is determined henceforth to maintain strict neutrality, that she will make not a single further concession to the Entente and that any new challenge from the Entente will be regarded as a casus belli.

The dispatch adds that, according to the Frankfurter Zeitung's Constantinople correspondent, the Entente Powers have agreed that, if it becomes necessary, they will dethrone King Constantine and enthrone Prince Pierre, the eight-year-old son of Prince George of Greece, with M. Venizelos as regent.

RUMANIANS MAKE A STAND TO THE EAST OF PLOECHTI

Petrograd, via London, Dec. 10.—The Rumanians who have been retreating in eastern Wallachia before the Teutonic advance, have made a stand to the east of Ploechti, the war office announced today. They assumed the offensive on the road from Ploechti to Buzeu and drove the Austro-Germans back to the westward.

On the Mondavian frontier, the Russian advance is continuing in the river valleys despite strong resistance.

EFFORTS BEING MADE TO DETHRONE KING FERDINAND

Germanophile Conspirators Remaining With Invaders of Rumania.

London, Dec. 11.—A dispatch to the Daily Telegraph from Galatz, Rumania, dated December 7, says:

"Certain Rumanian conservative politicians with Germanophile tendencies are remaining with the enemy, aiming at the deposition of King Ferdinand, and proclaiming his brother, Prince Wilhelm, of Hohenzollern, king. Wilhelm is with the invading army and issued a proclamation at Craiova declaring himself to be the rightful hei rto the Rumanian throne.

"The conapirators are trying to undermine the loyalty of the army by offering grants of lands to officers and men who join the invaders. The Germanophile element contemplates the confiscation of the lands of Rumanian notables who have adhered to the Entente Allies."

A Reuter dispatch from Jassy, December 8, said a brother of King Ferdinand who was with the invading army had issued a proclamation to the Rumanians saying:

"Compose yourselves. Go on with your business. I have come to punish your felony of a king."

VILLISTA ATTEMPTED TO KILL THE BRITISH CONSUL

Captain Scobell, at Chihuahua City, Had Narrow Escape.

El Paso, Texas, Dec. 10.—Captain Calvert Scobell, British consul in Chihuahua City, narrowly escaped death when a Villa adherent, who had gained admittance into the consulate, drew a pistol and fired at the captain, a responsible Mexican refugee reported upon his arrival here today. The bullet lodged in a door and the man then fled from the house. Captain Scobell has been charge of the American affairs in Chihuahua City since the American consul was ordered to the border.

This refugee also confirms the report of fighting west of Chihuahua City between Carranza forces under General Carlos Ozuna and a Villa command which h adadvanced from the Villa base at San Andres. The first troop train sent against Villa's soldiers, the refugee said, was captured by the Villa forces west of Fresno early this week and also reinforcements were sent to Ozuna. He was force dto withdraw i nthe capital on Friday. Villa was said to have captured many cannon.

CHINESE CELEBRATE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF REPUBLIC

Peking Was Scene of a Most Beautiful Military Parade.

(Correspondence of Associated Press).

Peking, Dec. 1.—China celebrated the fifth anniversary of the establishment of the republic with patriotic exercises in practicall all sections of the country. Peking was the scene of one of the most brilliant military reviews ever held in China. The capital city was gorgeously decorated with the five-barred flags of the republic, and great arches of brilliant colors were erected all along the ten-mile route from th Forbidden City to the Nanyuan parade ground, where thirty thousand troops passed in review before President Li Yuan-hung.

Great changes have come over the Chinese republic since the fourth anniversary of its establishment. Yuan Shi-kai was in the throes of the monarchial movement last year, and was compelled to abandon the annual review of troops in the capital which had previously been held on the anniversary o the republic's birth.

Democracy of the most pronounced type marked this year's celebration. The occasion was characteristic of the spirit which has dominated Chinese affairs since Li Yuan-hung became the president. Imperialism was thoroughly in the background.

It was Yuan Shi-kai's practice to review the troops from a balcony high up on the immense watch tower which surrounds the main entrance to the Forbidden City. But Li Yuan-hung rode boldly outside the Forbidden City to the great drill ground south of Peking, where he mounted a horse and, accompanied by his staff, made a complete round of the military forces which were drawn up in a great hollow square. He then took his position on a low reviewing stand and stood practically unattended while the thousands of infantrymen, cavalrymen and artillerymen passed in review.

Great interest centered about the review, as there had been rumors that certain disgruntled military leaders might inspire an attempt upon the president, and endeavor to replace the present government with a military dictatorship. The president made light of the reports and demonstrated his hold upon the Chinese people by appearing as had been arranged before the evil rumors came into circulation.

SOCIALIST CONFERENCE OF THE ENTENTE COUNTRIES

As Many as Fourten Different National Sections to Take Part

(Correspondence of Associated Press) The Hague, Netherlands, Dec.1.—As many as fourteen different national sections are being invited to take part in the Socialist Conference of Entente countries which is being organized by the Socialist Internationale ofthis city namely, Britain, France, Italy, Portugal, Canada, Australia and New Zealand. The delegates of the Entente Socialists are to meet in London, probably in January next, the conference having been called on the initiative of the party in France. More significance naturally attaches to the decisions which may be arrived at than was the case with the less influential conference of neutral Socialists held at The Hague some months since.

The program, as published here, aims at establishing common action with a view to directing, the policy of their respective countries in the direction of non-annexation, the guaranteeing of the rights of the nations by international institutions, and the exclusion from all economic treaties of everything that would contain the germs of fresh conflicts. It will be recalled that while the International Socialists Bureau is still in touch with the parties of the Central Ebpires as well as of the Entente countries, it has not yet succeeded in its ultimate object of bringing all Socialist parties together again on a common agreed policy in regard to the war. It is doubtless hoped that the coming London conference will bridng the desired goal nearer.

PRESIDENT WILSON HAS BUSY WEEK AHEAD OF HIM

To Discuss Legislative Questions With Various Member sof Congress.

Washington, Dec. 10.—President Wilson will discuss legislative questions this week with several members of the Senate and House, including Senator Sheppard, chief prohibition advocate in the Senate, where a determined effort is to be made soon to pass a District of Columbia prohibition bill. There have been suggestions that such a measure might be vetoed, but the President has given no indication of his purpose.

Almost every night during the week Mr. Wilson will be busy with social engagements, including a theatre party tomorrow night, a dinner given by him to the cabinet Tuesday night, a dinner given by him Thursday night to state executives attending the Governors' conference and a dinner in his honor to be given Friday night by the Vice President and Mrs. Marshall.

As president of the American Red Cross, the President will preside at a session of the annual meeting of that organization.

DISCUSS BRITISH CABINET CRISIS WITH GREAT RESERVE

German Papers of Opinion Lloyd-George Caused Asquith's Fall

Berlin, Dec. 10.—via Sayville)—The evening newspapers last night commented with great reserve upon the British cabinet crisis. All of them placed emphasis on the view that final judgement should be postponed until more tangible facts are reported. The majority expressed the opinion that Premier Asquith's resignation was caused by David Lloyd-George.

"Lloyd-George's intrigue has been successful", said the Zeitung Am Mittag. "The fall of Premier Asquith means the disappearance, for sometime at least, of English liberalism."

The Deutch Tages Zeitung considers the removal of Admiral Jellicoe from command of the grand fleet as probably connected with the present crihis. The tages Zeitung, however, warns the public against far-reaching conclusions. "A change of a cabinet or in leading positions is not necessarily in war time, a mistake or a sign of weakness," it adds.

MALE SINGERS STRIKE

Grand Opera at Chicago Proceeds With Their Chorus.

Chicago, Dec. 10.—Forty-three singers, French, Italian, Russian and English, composing the male chorus of the Chicago Grand Opera Company, overwhelmed, they said, by the high cost of living, went on strike tonight just before their entrance during the second act of Gotterdammerung. The opera proceeded without the male chorus.

GYPSIES WHO DWELL ON WATER

50,000 Nomads "Run The Banks" of the Mississippi

The lower Mississippi river is one of the greatest houseboat play regions in the United States, says the New York Times. Beginning in the early autumn, people who dread the cold an who seek a long winter rest leave Ohio and upper Mississippi river town and seek the thousand miles of flowing road from Cape Girardeau to the Gulf of Mexico. This fall migration of humanity—this wandering of river gypsies is one of the strangest in the country.

It is said there are more than 60,000 river people living on the 190,000 miles of navigable streams in the Mississippi basin. These are the shanty boaters, who dwell in various ways on the rivers and "rubbing the banks." Besides these river people there are large numbers of sportsmen and temporary residents afloat in motorboats and houseboats. Making a pouulation of perhaps 100,000 not including the "steamboaters," who scorn the shanty boaters.

Between the two classes of river people is a feud that dates from the old keel boat days, when steam power deprived the huge rowboats of their passenger and freight traffic.

The shanty boaters are strange floating nomads. They have many kinds of boats, which they call 'cabin boats," and which range all the way from a "hog pen on a raft" to luxurious gasoline driven houseboats of large size and beautifully equipped. An iceman, whose factory is in a lower Ohio town, slips away at the end of his season and cruises in the lower Mississippi during the winter months, accompanied by hunting dogs, a deckhand, and a motor engineer. He is a real shanty boater, because he knows all the old timers and dwells in amity with them, though he drives a $10,000 houseboat and some of his good friends live in driftwood scows covered with a tent of old canvas patched with tar paper.

NOT AN ABSENTEE.

Cousin of the Duke of Leeds a Cinema Photographer.

(London Observer.)

The efforts of Mr. Frank Danvers-Yates (first cousin to the Duke of Leeds), who was described as a cinema photographer, to serve his country were described at Marylebone Police court yesterday, when he was charged with being an absentse under the Military Service Act.

Over military age, and holding an official discharge from the navy, he was in Russia when war broke out. He paid his own fare back to this country and stated that he was 38 years old in order to join the R. N. A. S. He was one of the pioneers of air photography.

It was alleged that the military authorities, without making investigation, acted upon an anonymous letter.

Defendant, on oath, declared that he was born in Bombay on July 11, 1873. When, in order to render some service to his country, he joined the Royal Naval Air Service, he said he was born in 1876. He had been discharged from the navy on the ground of ill health, but his discharge only said "Discharged to the shore," a naval expression.

The magistrate, in discharging defendant, said if he was willing to join the army there was no reason why he should not do so.

"I am willing to join up," responded defendant.

MOTHERS' PROTEST

Demonstration Against the Price of Milk.

(London Observer).

The demonstration of several hundred of London mothers, accompanied by their young children, and the majority of them carrying a babe in their arms, took place in Hyde park yesterday. A mass meeting was held to protest against the present price of milk. The chair was taken by Mr. William O'Malley, M. P., who said the government had been forced to take up the food and bread questions, but most important of all was the question of the nation's milk, for on it depended the lives of those who would go to make up the future generations of the empire. The only way to deal with the milk seller was touch him in his vital spot—his pocket. Let the people reduce their consumption of milk by one-half; that would very soon cure him, if the government did not.

A resolution was carried condemning the milk industry for what was called its unpatriotic fraud upon the nation, recommending the government to cancel all existing milk contracts between dairy farmers and dealers, and also recommending the government to take over the dairy industry of the country. The resolution further recommended the government to set up a committee to investigate the whole question of London's milk supply.

HE'S A PRACTICAL JOKER

Obliging Mechanic Always Happened to Be on Hond.

(From Motor Life.)

Quite recently patrons of a well-known New York restaurant, who were in the habit of leaving their cars unattended outside, uncovered the methods of a new kind of practical joker—new because he was practical.

It appears that almost ever day some one would have trouble in getting his car started. After he had tinkered for a few minutes an obliging mechanic would stroll up, proffer his aid and have the engine running in no time.

Two actors happened to compare notes one day and found that this incident had occurred to both of them. They immediately became suspicious, and on leaving the restaurant saw the man working at a car a short distance down the street. By quick action one of them pounced on him and caught him.

He was the obliging mechanic, and after his arrest it developed that he had deliberately disconnected portions of the cars' electrical systems and then had collected substantial rewards from puzzled owners for services rendered in starting the machines.

GREECE IS PREPARING FOR BLOCKADE OF THE ALLIES

Copenhagen, Dec. 10, (via London).—Discussing the Greek situation, the Berlin Vossiche Zeitung says that as soon as the announcement of the Entente blockade of Greece was made Greece began making preparations to meet it. The Greek army, according to the newspaper, is well supplies with arms and ammunition. Food tickets, it adds, were issued in Athens on Sunday.

The paper says it understands that wireless communication between Turkey and Greece has been reestablish.

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AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS, NOV. 17TH, 1916.

RESOURCES:		LIABILITIES:	
Loans and Discounts	$5,533,969.70	Capital Stock	$1,000,000.00
U. S. Bonds (at Par)	602,500.00	Surplus and Net Profits	723,923.59
Bank Building	480,000.00	Circulation	543,300.00
Bonds and other Securities	336,600.00	Special Deposit Bonds	15,000.00
Liquidation Account, Southern National Bank	28,675.34	Acceptances	750,000.00
Customers' Liability Acceptances	750,000.00	Deposits	7,510,133.21
Cash and Due by Banks	2,310,611.76		
Total	$10,542,356.80	Total	$10,542,356.80

DEPOSITS:
Nov. 17th, 1914 ... $4,213,401.77
Nov. 17th, 1915 ... 6,083,763.59
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